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The Times Portfolio competition prize of £4,000 was won yesterday by Mrs Jabeen Agha of London. It was double the usual daily prize because no one won on Tuesday. Portfolio list, page 14; how to play, information service, back page.
On Saturday, £42,000 can be won. The weekly prize of £20,000 is doubled because there was no winner last week, and in addition there is the usual £2,000 daily prize.

Dollar dips on speech by Volcker

Mr Paul Volcker, chairman of the US Federal Reserve Board, sent the dollar sharply downwards with remarks to the House budget committee. As a result the pound gained 1.4 cents to close in London at \$1.0730. Page 15, back page.

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A Belfast man was convicted at the Central Criminal Court of murdering three people in the IRA's 1981 bombing campaign in London. Page 3.

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Strategic retreat on debate of phone-tapping Bill

By Anthony Bevins, Political Correspondent

The Government yesterday staged a strategic retreat with its legislation on telephone tapping and mail interception after Lord Bridge, chairman of the Security Commission, reported that allegations of improperly authorized interception were without foundation.

Ministers deliberately allowed the marathon debate on water fluoridation to kill yesterday's debate on the Interception of Communications Bill.

A measure of the furore which would have been provoked by the planned second reading of the Bill, now expected to take place next week, was provided by Labour and Alliance leaders.

Mr Gerald Kaufman, Labour frontbench spokesman, said: "The Bridge report, if it can be dignified by such a description, is an insult and an outrage."

Mr David Steel, the Liberal leader, said that it was totally inadequate. He added: "The secret state is out of control and democracy is threatened."

Allegations about the improper use of telephone tapping and Security Service surveillance were raised in the controversial Channel Four 20/20 Vision film, *MIS's Official Secrets*.

After the decision of Sir Michael Havers, the Attorney General, not to prosecute those involved in making the film, it was decided yesterday that it would be broadcast tomorrow.

Mr Kaufman said that "very many millions of people" would now watch the film and understand the questions which it had raised.

Nevertheless, Lord Bridge reported to the Prime Minister

that he had carried out an urgent investigation and concluded: "I am satisfied, after full examination of all the relevant documents, that no warrant for interception has been issued in contravention of the appropriate criteria."

Mr Kaufman said that Lord Bridge had been asked a loaded question and had supplied an inevitable answer.

He had not been asked about authorized interception of people falsely classified as subversives; whether there had been infiltration of non-subversive organizations, such as CND and Shelter; whether ministers had used MIS mail for political purposes, in breach of MIS rules; whether there had been investigation of the political and personal lives of members of non-subversive organizations such as the National Council for Civil Liberties.

Mr Kaufman said that the standing definition was slipped out by Lord Harris of Greenwich, then a Labour Home Office minister of state, in a speech of the Lords on February 26, 1975 - the day of publication of the White Paper on the EEC referendum. Hansard index shows that the definition was not given to the Commons until April 6.

Lord Harris said ten years ago: "Subversive activities are generally regarded as those which threaten the safety or wellbeing of the State, and which are intended to undermine or overthrow parliamentary democracy by political, industrial or violent means."

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I think MIS is doing a GREAT job - and I don't care who knows.

John Woodcock

A day the Commons missed

By Julian Haviland, Political Editor

Opponents of the Government's Water (Fluoridation) Bill yesterday did the Government an unexpected good turn by holding up its progress throughout Tuesday night so that Wednesday's business was cancelled - a rare occurrence.

The ranks of anti-fluoridists did not prevent the Bill completing its progress; but they prevented a prolonged onslaught by the Opposition on the Government for persisting, as it had intended, in seeking a second reading for its Interception of Communications Bill.

That Bill, which will create a new statutory framework for interception of mail and tapping of telephones, will be brought back next week, by which time ministers hope the Opposition may receive it with less hostility.

The Fluoridation Bill clarifies the law, in the words of Mr Kenneth Clarke, Minister for Health, to enable the practice of adding fluoride to water in some parts of England to continue, and the same practice to be resumed in Scotland.

It was occasioned by Lord Jauncey's judgement in the Court of Session, in Edinburgh in June, 1983 that the addition of fluoride to water supplies by Strathclyde Regional Council was ultra vires.

The Government's view is that fluoridation is valuable in preventing dental decay.

The Bill's opponents object to what Sir Ian Paisley, Conservative MP for Southport, called "compulsory medication."

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Scots and Yorkshire pitmen end strike

By Paul Routledge, Labour Editor

Almost 95 per cent of the National Coal Board's labour force was back at work yesterday after Scottish miners' leaders yesterday voted to end the year-long strike and Yorkshire pitmen began to ignore flying pickets from the militant Kent area demanding an amnesty for miners dismissed during the dispute.

But leaders of the National Union of Mineworkers will today consider ways of continuing the dispute over pit closures, and there is little prospect of an early end to the 16-month overtime ban. Nor does the NUM plan to make an apology to the High Court in order to purge its contempt and regain control of its £6 million funds.

The union's national executive meeting in Sheffield today will discuss further measures to prevent the coal board from going ahead with the rapid closure of uneconomic collieries, after getting the men back to work without an agreement in this issue.

A campaign by the Kent miners to keep the strike going until the coal board grants an amnesty for about 700 dismissed men, which left half the Yorkshire coalfield strikebound on the official "march back"

day, is proving to be a short-lived affair. After their leaders condemned the activities of flying pickets from Kent as "unofficial", Yorkshire miners were going back at most of the pits yesterday. The men at Cortonwood colliery, where the strike started just over a year ago, voted to cross the Kent miners' picket line "with dignity."

By last night, the board was claiming a return to work of 94.5 per cent. In all, about 176,000 men have now given up the strike out of 186,000. Only two mines in Yorkshire, Barnborough and Markham Main, at Armthorpe, are still at a standstill, and even in the Kent coalfield, there were ten "new starters" yesterday.

South Wales miners' leaders are expected to make an appearance before the High Court soon to apologize for their contempt of court orders in refusing to call off unlawful secondary picketing of a road haulage firm, in order to win back £800,000 in funds sequestered by the court. But NUM leaders said they do not intend making similar moves over the national funds.

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Private Eye withdrawn from sale

By Rupert Morris

Private Eye, the satirical magazine, was banned yesterday from distributing any further copies of this week's issue, which contains references to Mr Cecil Parkinson, the former Conservative cabinet minister and Mrs Angela Mathew, his secretary at the House of Commons. Mr Justice Skinner, sitting in chambers at the High Court, granted an injunction restraining *Private Eye*, its editor, Mr Richard Ingrams, publishers, Pressdram and printer Feb Edge Litho, of Hackney, north London, from distributing the current edition, or repeating an alleged libel.

He said in his judgement: "There is a very strong prima facie case that the words complained of are defamatory of Mr Parkinson and Mrs Mathew."

He said counsel for *Private Eye* had not seriously contested this in the case of Mrs Mathew and had advanced a "wholly specious and irrelevant argument" in the case of Mr Parkinson.

The judge added: "No other defence of the plaintiff's charge has been advanced, nor any."

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The MP who spoke for 4 hours

By Alan Hamilton

The perpetrator of the longest speech inflicted on the House of Commons this century denied yesterday, in a voice undimmed by four hours and 23 minutes of strident oration, that it had been his primary intention to bore the Government into submission.

Mr Ivan Lawrence, Conservative MP for Burton-on-Trent, opened his mouth at 5.12am yesterday morning on the subject of fluoridation of water and did not close it again until 9.35am, thereby beating by several lengths the previous record for verbosity of three hours 12 minutes established in 1974 by his Tory colleague, Sir Bernard Braine, MP for Castle Point.

Mr Lawrence said that he could happily have spoken longer, possibly even challenging Henry Brogham's all-time world-class record of six hours in 1828, had not the presence of his *alter ego*, that of the senior barrister, been required in court 12 at the Central Criminal Court, where he is appearing as defence counsel in the case concerning the all-time record robbery of cash in Britain.

"It was not a filibuster. I was not just looking for things to say, and I did not repeat myself," Mr Lawrence said in his remarkably undamaged baritone. "I wanted the argument against fluoridation of water to go on the record; it just happens to be a rather long argument."

Mr Lawrence, a long-standing rebel against the Government's Fluoridation Bill, covered almost an entire green leather Commons bench with reference papers during his marathon delivery, but spoke with little reference to notes, and had no recourse to a glass of water, fluoridated or otherwise.

"I have been fighting fluoridation for eight years. Most of my facts have simply accumulated in files over that period, and I made no special preparation for the speech. I did not even know the debate was going on all night until I noticed that the House had not drawn stamps at the usual time."

Israelis make Tyre a city of terror

From Robert Fisk, Tyre

The South Lebanese city of Tyre became a place of terror and violence yesterday as the Israeli Army arrested dozens of civilians, publicly placing hooded men and fields outside the city with heavy machine guns and rifles.

A taxi driver who broke the curfew - and who was travelling on his own, contrary to Israeli occupation orders - was found dead by a roadside outside the city yesterday morning. He had been shot in the side of the head, but most of his face - seen later by Western correspondents - had been cut from his body, apparently by a knife.

Last night one of Tyre's main



hospitals reported that, after an Israeli raid on the village of Borgh Elieh, they had received the body of a 12-year-old boy who had died of gunshot wounds and that eight other civilians, including five girls, had also suffered bullet wounds.

In Tyre itself yesterday, I watched three arrested men forced to drive in their own cars behind an Israeli armoured personnel carrier. When they reached a road junction in the city, an Israeli soldier placed a



Still talking: Mr Lawrence in full spate yesterday (Photograph: Chris Harris).

Mr Lawrence is chairman of an all-party committee against fluoridation. His long association with the subject enabled him at the drop of a hat to throw in statistical evidence, to the admiration of MPs on both sides of the House, from such arcane sources as the newsletter of the Institute of Plumbers of Australia, and the superintendent of the waterworks at Wilmington, Massachusetts.

That a new record had been set was conveyed to the House when Mr Lawrence's fellow backbench Labour rebel, Mr Michael Brown, MP for Brigg and Cleethorpes, rose to draw the prize-winning length of the marathon to the Speaker's attention.

Mr Speaker Wetherill was unimpressed.

Mr Lawrence said later that when the mover of an amendment starts to speak there is no rule of the House which can stop him. He was sustained through the dawn hours by helpful and encouraging interventions from his own side.

The Fluoridation Bill is a seemingly harmless little document with only three clauses. Mr Lawrence seized his chance by speaking to an amendment which sought to ensure that any step to introduce fluoride into water supplies would not involve the employment of additional manpower.

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'Star Wars' condemned by Kinnock

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Brussels - Mr Neil Kinnock, on his first visit to Nato headquarters here, told Lord Carrington, the Secretary-General, that he was "extremely hostile" to US research into "Star Wars" technology (Ian Murray writes). Nato had not understood that the project would start a new arms race. Mr Kinnock emphasized Labour's commitment to Nato, but said that "cruise missiles would be sent back to the US on the election of a Labour government". Back page.

Mr Fielden refused to discuss. Continued on back page, col 5.

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Celebrated Soviet pianist applies to stay in Britain

By Colin Hughes

Andrei Gavrilov, the celebrated Russian pianist, has applied to the Home Office for an extended permit to stay in Britain for a year, it was officially confirmed yesterday.

Mr Gavrilov, who won the Tchaikovsky Competition in 1974 when aged 19 and received exceptional reviews when he played in London last August, has been in Britain since February 18 completing a recording of Chopin ballades.

His contacts at EMI yesterday said they were "extremely surprised" to hear of his bid to prolong his stay. Mr Gavrilov finished recording at Abbey Road studios on Tuesday and left.

The next EMI heard was a call from the Soviet Embassy asking if they knew where Mr

Gavrilov had gone. He appears to have slipped his Soviet Embassy "under" and made his application to the Home Office. He had been staying in a house attached to the Soviet Trade Delegation in Highgate, north London, but was not there yesterday.

A Home Office spokesman said they were considering his application to remain for twelve months and would decide within the next few days.

One friend at EMI doubted that Mr Gavrilov was using the application for an extended stay permit as a prelude to defection. "I suspect he would be most upset if there was any reported rift between him and the USSR," he said.

An important reason for Mr Gavrilov to return would be his



Gavrilov: Stylish and emotional performer

mother, who has always guided his career. Although he is in Britain with his fourth wife, Natasha, his mother is not thought to be with him and he is known to be strongly

attached to her. There was no reply at her Moscow home telephone number yesterday.

Mr Gavrilov is something of a gladiator on the Moscow musical scene. His meteoric rise to eminence has created some jealousy among older generation cultural bureaucrats and competitor performers.

Mercenary and unorthodox in manner and pianistic interpretation, he is a stylish and emotional performer of Scriabin, Chopin, Prokofiev, and Rakhmaninov. In an interview with *The Times* at the end of last year, he spoke of his ambition to replace Richter, Horowitz, and Gilels, as the leading pianist of his generation, but gave no hint of wanting to stay out of Russia.

Until last year he had been banned from travelling to the

West for four years. Though deeply attached to his homeland, he is like many other Russian artists in feeling stifled by Soviet cultural conformity. Friends in London, who have been unable to trace him, said yesterday that he might simply want a "sabbatical" away from Moscow.

His first visit to London was in 1976, when he was signed up for EMI. In his interview Mr Gavrilov told *The Times* that a pianist had to be "very clever, very intelligent", and added: "I have made quite a name for myself, but now is my chance to become really famous."

The most recent Soviet artists to defect are Yuri Lubimov, the avant garde theatre director, and Andrei Tarkovsky, the film director.

Miners' strike aftermath: Dismissal hearings: Picketline dilemma: Church and state: MacGregor profile

Day of reckoning for returned pitmen accused of strike offences

By Peter Davenport

Colliery managers throughout the Yorkshire coalfield yesterday began interviewing scores of returned miners about offences that could lead to their dismissal.

Since the marches back to work of the past two days, at least a dozen men have been dismissed and another 190 cases are under consideration. Some men have been suspended pending a detailed investigation of alleged offences.

A spokesman for the National Coal Board in Yorkshire said yesterday: "This is the day of reckoning for these men. Those who have committed serious offences will not be reinstated. There is no question of a general amnesty."

The cases under consideration come on top of 200 dismissals made during the strike.

At the Manders Main colliery, near Mexborough, South Yorkshire, a working miner aged in his twenties was attacked and punched by three men in the pithead baths after the end of the organized march back to work on Tuesday. Two of the attackers were strikers returning for the first time. They have been dismissed. The third man had already been dismissed earlier in the dispute.

Another striking miner at the colliery has also been dismissed for assaulting a police officer as the march back to work broke up.

The dismissals caused anger among the men but the pit was working normally yesterday. Mr Alan Gosling, the local branch secretary of the National Union of Mineworkers, said: "It is very disturbing. The lads were incensed, but now they have accepted that the cases were taken through the procedures."

Four men who returned to work at Manton colliery have also been dismissed, two for making threats earlier in the strike, to kill Mr Robert Taylor, a working miner who instigated legal action against the union to get the dispute declared unofficial. The other two were

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WELSH RETURN-TO-WORK

Pay cut warning over stance on blacking

From Tim Jones, Cardiff

Miners in South Wales were told yesterday that they would be sent home without pay if they refused to work with men who had defied the strike, or if they declined to operate equipment supplied by "blackened" firms.

For the second day running 250 men were sent home from the Tondur workshops near Bridgend, for refusing to use a compressor brought in by a haulage firm which takes coal and iron ore from Port Talbot to Llanwern steel works.

After the warning, miners at the Merthyr Vale colliery began to return to the pit, after initially refusing to work alongside a face worker who broke the strike.

At talks with the management, an agreement was reached. It is understood that

Mr Keith Hobbs, the face worker, will be moved from the coal face.

Mr Philip Weeks, the coal board area director, said: "We have a responsibility to get the coalfield back in production with minimum disruption and delay. Managers reserve the right to take immediate action to deal with any activity which interferes with that objective."

Last night Mr Paul Watson, who was trapped at work for three hours by a mob of angry miners and their wives on Monday night, said that he would be reporting for duty today.

More than 300 people laid siege to the Abercwmboi smelter fuel plant in mid-March, where Mr Watson was the only worker to break the strike.



Mr Michael McGahey faces miners' fury after the conference. (Photograph: Tom Kidd).

SCOTTISH DELEGATE MEETING

Angry colliers jostle McGahey

From Ronald Faux

Mr Michael McGahey, president of the Scottish miners who were jostled by an angry crowd in Edinburgh yesterday as he left a delegates meeting that decided by 10 votes to five to end the strike in Scotland.

The decision reversed an earlier resolution to continue the strike until an amnesty had been won for the 180 Scottish miners dismissed during the

dispute. Missiles were thrown at Mr McGahey and delegates as they left the meeting and there were shouts of "sell out" and "we're not going back" from the crowd.

However, the strike had effectively crumbled in Scotland before the meeting started. The National Coal Board claimed, a massive return, to work and more than 1,600 miners gave up the strike

At Frances colliery in Fife, the men marched through the colliery gates behind their union banners and two pipers to return to work. The main production face at the pit was lost when a fire broke out during the strike and the future of the Sealfield complex, to which Frances is linked, remains in doubt.

Mr John Mitchell, the pit delegate, said the decision to

continue the strike in Scotland had split the union's membership. They had decided to go back, he said, with dignity and heads held high. However, the return to work will cause deep divisions in the Scottish mining community, particularly in Fife.

Five pits, Solsburgh, Polkemmet, Comrie, Polaise and Bogside, remain strongly opposed to the return.

THE COAL CHIEF

Solitary life for the canny patriot

By Edward Townsend
Industrial Correspondent

While most of the verbal and physical assaults meted out to Mr Ian MacGregor during the 12-month dispute have had as much impact as a drop of dew on white hot steel, there is one accusation that has caused the usually inscrutable features of the National Coal Board chairman to sparkle with anger.

He is more than able to cope with being variously described as Mrs Thatcher's "geriatric American 'hit man'" or "the butcher" and even shrugged off suggestions from his adversary that he was off-beam mentally. But he bristles with indignation at the taunt that he has taken on the unenviable tasks of sorting out two of Britain's ailing state-owned industrial giants - steel and coal - for personal gain.

Mr MacGregor is a millionaire; he has no need to acquire more money. If he did, then he would have stayed in the United States.

Colleagues at the New York investment bank of Lazard Freres, in which Mr MacGregor retains a limited partnership (and small share in the profits) almost dismissed him out of hand the announcement two years ago that he was to take on the NCB chairmanship for a salary of £59,325 a year and a "transfer fee" payable to the bank of £1.5 million.

The latter, it was stressed, was what the coal board was losing every day and the value to the bank of three years of his services was many, many times more than his potential British earnings.

Mr MacGregor's hackles rise because he believes that

Biography - Ian Kitchin MacGregor

Born September 21, 1912, at Knochilven in Scotland, the son of an accountant. Educated at George Watson's College, Edinburgh; Hillhead High School, Glasgow, and Glasgow University where he gained a BSc (first class honours) in metallurgy.

Became a junior manager in a Glasgow steel company.

Moved to the United States to buy tanks, 1941.

Married to Sybil Spencer, 1942. They have one son and one daughter.

Joined Ames, the mining and metals group, becoming chairman and chief executive from 1956-1977.

Appointed deputy chairman of BIL in 1977, and the following year became chairman of the BIL group.

Became president of the International Chamber of Commerce, Paris, 1978.

Appointed chairman of the British Steel Corporation in 1980 in return for controversial "transfer fee" payment to Lazard of up to £1.8 million.

Became chairman of the National Coal Board in 1983 after negotiation of another £1.5 million payment to Lazard.

Holds honorary degrees from the Universities of Glasgow (LLD), Strathclyde (LLD), Denver (LLD), Montana

State (DSc), Wyoming (LLD) and Trinity College, Indiana (DSc).

Awarded John Fritz Medal in 1961, the American Iron and Steel Institute's highest honour.

Legion of Honour in 1972.

He has on several occasions angered his NCB colleagues with decisions and actions which show him not to be among the world's leading industrial relations experts.

Despite his age - he is 73 in September - Mr MacGregor shows no sign of wanting to resign the NCB job. He is the kind of man who will never retire. While he may leave Britain next year when the coal board contract ends, he will his motives are misunderstood. Clearly he loves power and the chance to take on the seemingly impossible task (such as defeating Mr Arthur Scargill) which others would not contemplate. But he also demonstrates to colleagues a patriotism and is possessed of a vision to



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restore some of Britain's former greatness and position in the world.

At times he has seemed dangerously isolated at the coal board. His complicated management structure clearly frustrated him and his desire to delegate. This was made more apparent by the series of resignations and the appointment as chief spokesman of Mr Michael Easton which led to a public belief that he had fallen out of favour with Mrs Thatcher.

During the strike Mr MacGregor has shown little need to relax. His hobbies are few - fishing and golf, and he quickly gets bored with them - and he is no great family man.

With his famous ability to avoid jet-lag, it is no problem for him to visit his wife, Sybil, in Florida regularly, but he has also spent some contemplative time during the strike at his house in Argyllshire.

He is obsessively unpretentious; he cares little for small talk and is probably flattered to be known as a Calvinistic but canny Scot.

His colleagues in business, friend or foe, agree that he is hard to keep up with. One said: "He loves to delegate and his desk is always astonishingly clear; he has set theories for everything; and he never gives up."

In the last year he has regarded Mr Scargill as an offensive obstruction in the way of reshaping the future of the mining industry. But he was convinced he was right. He believes in the Clan Gregor motto: Ever do and spare naught.

POLICE COMMANDER

Man who knows both sides of the picket line

From A Staff Reporter
Rotherham

When the police come to hold a post-mortem examination on the coal strike, the lessons learned and the mistakes made, one senior officer more perhaps than any other will command an attentive audience.

Chief Superintendent John Nesbit, a former miner, former military policeman and now commander of the Rotherham division of the South Yorkshire Police with four pits in his domain, has been the man responsible for dealing with some of the worst violence and civil unrest of the dispute.

He was the ground commander at the confrontation at the Orgreave coking plant in June, marshalling 4,000 police against the massed ranks of NUM pickets and the officer who carried out the arrest of Mr Arthur Scargill. He became a familiar figure on the picket lines and in the mining villages when violence spilled over into the streets. Mr Nesbit is a man who believes in leading from the front, a "high profile" policeman.

For his troubles his word has been doubted in court over his account of Mr Scargill's arrest.

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Chief Supt Nesbit: high profile policeman

he has had his nose broken in a skirmish in the mining village of Matby and has seen his home life disrupted, working 16-hour days, five days a week, sleeping in a temporary bedroom near his office for months on end.

Contrary to views expressed by many in the coalfields, Mr Nesbit firmly believes that much of the bitterness that has built up - miner against miner and strikers against police - will dissipate in the exhilaration of the restart of work.

He accepts that some people in the villages will always hold the police role during the strike against the force but believes that he and his colleagues have won more admirers than they have lost old friends.

Mr Nesbit was born and bred in Rotherham where his father worked at a pit for 40 years. He did seven years on the coal face before National Service and, as an NUM member, adhered to all its picket lines.

He came in for criticism, even from officers in neighbouring forces, for organising his policing along too militaristic lines. He says he adopted a strategy of securing a firm base within the pits from which to stand off the pickets.

Mr Nesbit believes that the National Reporting Centre at Scotland Yard which mustered resources nationwide in response to requests from chief constables was vital in enabling the police to control the activities of the pickets.

In his enthronement sermon, the Bishop of Durham had criticized both sides for refusing to seek compromise and accused the Government of wanting an outright victory whatever it cost to the country. Conservative MPs immediately called for him to be severely reprimanded by the Archbishop of Canterbury.

A week later it was reported that Dr Runcie had written to Mr MacGregor, offering the church's apologies. Lambeth Palace explained that the comforting letter had indeed been sent, but Dr Runcie had not repudiated the Bishop of Durham's robust sermon.

The archbishop's own views became clearer after a meeting of the House of Bishops, attended by Durham, which discussed the general political situation.

THE CHURCH

Bishops go into the political arena

By Clifford Longley
Religious Affairs
Correspondent

The miners' strike brought the bishops of the Church of England into the political arena in a way unsurpassed for a generation, and their conflict with the Government in a way that has never happened before.

There were three peaks to this involvement: the sermon by the Bishop of Durham, the Right Rev David Jenkins, at his enthronement on September 28 last year; the interview in *The Times* given by the Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr Robert Runcie, on October 8; and the meeting between National Union of Mineworkers leaders and senior churchmen at the home of the Archbishop of York, Dr John Habgood, on November 11.

Concern in all the churches at the effect the strike was having in mining communities was growing throughout the summer, and some churchmen had already made oblique references to it.

The Bishop of Durham was as blunt as he had been on other issues, saying that Mr Ian MacGregor was "an elderly imported American" and that his replacement as chairman of the National Coal Board could facilitate a settlement.

The Bishop of Sheffield, the Right Rev David Lunn, explained that bishops in mining areas could not avoid contact with the strike even if they wanted to. In his own case, for instance, he had visited many of the deaneries in his diocese, and such visits traditionally involve meeting local industry.

In normal times that would have meant visiting coal pits, so instead he visited picket lines, community centres and police stations.

"At first it was as if there had been a natural disaster of some kind," he said, "and the response was as if there had been a natural disaster, a non-political involvement, a desire for peace and increasingly a desire to meet physical needs."

Because he was a bishop striking miners tended to identify him with the view of the Bishop of Durham, which he did not altogether share.

"In the short run it made life a little difficult. In the long run it probably does not matter. That the church sided with the miners, a little will be counted for righteousness." He put the Bishop of Durham's outspokenness down to his being "new at the job".

In his enthronement sermon, the Bishop of Durham had criticized both sides for refusing to seek compromise and accused the Government of wanting an outright victory whatever it cost to the country. Conservative MPs immediately called for him to be severely reprimanded by the Archbishop of Canterbury.

A week later it was reported that Dr Runcie had written to Mr MacGregor, offering the church's apologies. Lambeth Palace explained that the comforting letter had indeed been sent, but Dr Runcie had not repudiated the Bishop of Durham's robust sermon.

The archbishop's own views became clearer after a meeting of the House of Bishops, attended by Durham, which discussed the general political situation.

Rail unions seek 30% pay rise

By David Felton,
Labour Correspondent

Rail union leaders declared their willingness to "fight our corner" if British Rail sought to push through productivity improvements as part of the annual pay negotiations, which formally opened yesterday.

The two main unions submitted claims for a substantial increase, estimated at up to 30 per cent, to eradicate low pay in the industry, a reduction in hours or a 35-hour week and extra holiday. BR has promised to reply to the claim.

The unions' submission said basic pay for 145,000 railway workers, which starts at £76.25 a week, was a "disgrace and fell within most definitions of low pay."

Leaders of the National Union of Railwaymen and the Associated Society of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen believe that any decision to push for productivity improvements this year will depend on whether the Government is prepared to face the possibility of underwriting a potentially damaging dispute so soon after the miners' strike.

The unions and BR disagreed over the board's reaction to their insistence that productivity had to be kept separate from pay in the negotiations. Mr Ray Buckton, ASLEF general secretary, said Mr John Pallette, the board's managing director of personnel, had indicated that pay could be kept apart from two outstanding changes in working practices which the board is seeking.

2,000 jobs threatened as washing machine firm fails

By Staff Reporters

More than 4,000 jobs were at risk yesterday as the Birmingham-based washing machine manufacturer, Servis, collapsed and both Shell UK and the Agriculture and Food Research Council announced staff reductions.

Servis employs 650 manufacturing staff and another 1,350 work for its sister company dealing with after-sales service, Servis Home Services. Both have called in the receivers.

Cork Gully, the accountants acting as receivers, indicated that many of the jobs might be saved by negotiations now being started. Both companies are continuing to trade and there are hopes that a rescue operation will succeed in selling off at least part of the business as going concerns. Centreway Industries, which controls Servis, may take over the servicing operation, with its obligations to washing machine owners.

The losses will be phased over the next two years and discussions have started with unions at Stanlow, the largest of the Shell UK manufacturing sites.

Mr Peter Brown, the Stanlow manager, said: "Demand for oil products in the UK has dropped by 35 per cent over the past 10 years and is most unlikely to

rise again. A number of refineries both in the UK and Europe have closed already and the capacity of others has been drastically reduced.

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Plaintiff is assured by counsel

Mr Derek Howe, a former

aide to the Prime Minister, who claims that he was libelled in an article about a housing association he helped to run was told by counsel for *The Sunday Times* in the High Court yesterday that he was not being accused in the article of any criminal behaviour.

Mr Richard Rampton, QC, told Mr Howe the paper would seek to prove that the Strongbridge Housing Association in London was mismanaged and wasted public money.

Counsel added: "More importantly, you knew that you and your prominent Tory friends on the management committee were vulnerable."

Mr Howe claims that the article, falsely alleged that he tried to block an inquiry

Times Newspapers claims that the words complained of did not bear some of the meanings alleged.

The hearing continues today.

NGA decision today

By Barrie Clement
Labour Reporter

Leaders of the National Graphical Association will today decide whether to comply with labour legislation and avoid risking sequestration, cost the union £1 million in the 1983 Stockport Messenger dispute.

The High Court has given the NGA until tomorrow to hold a secret ballot over industrial action at the Wolverhampton Express & Star group which led to the suspension of 140 association members.

More than 200 delegates from

daily provincial newspapers will debate the issue in Wolverhampton today after a meeting this morning between the company and Mr Tony Dubbins, general secretary of the NGA at ACAS. The union's national council will make the final decision.

The union has refused to co-operate with the introduction of "direct-keying" of advertising material to typesetting computers which avoids "re-keying" work, normally done by NGA

Commons often short of time

By Julian Haviland, Political Editor

The loss by the Government of a day's business in the Commons, as happened yesterday because of the Fluoridation Bill debate, will not be a disaster, in spite of recent outward signs of the parliamentary timetable being under pressure, and the recent disclosure in *The Times* that MPs have been kept at work past midnight on half the sitting days of this session so far.

Apart from the fact that the Government had special reasons yesterday for allowing, indeed helping, events to take their course, Mr John Biffen, Leader of the Commons, has more resources at his disposal, and more time, than he would ever admit when he is regularly assailed, every Thursday, by MPs demanding time to debate their favourite topics.

On the face of it, leaders of the Commons and their advisers always look hard up for time. The parliamentary year is shorter than it seems.

The Commons sits for rather less than eight months of a normal year, for five days a week. The average year yields about 170 sitting days.

But these are not all at the disposal of ministers. Twenty four days are allotted to private members; 19 are controlled by the Opposition; and another 30

Day's lost business

or so are preempted in various ways for the regular business that must be fitted in every year before the Government's legislative programme can be accommodated.

Five days are allocated to debate on the Queen's Speech at the start of each session; three and a half days to the Budget and a half day to the Finance Bill; three to debating the Estimates; and four half-days are needed to debate motions to adjourn before each recess.

Five days are devoted to debating defence; usually at least two days a year to foreign affairs; and one to Welsh affairs.

Woman's quiet voice delays rape hearing

A woman who claims she was raped by two police officers in a police station started to describe the alleged incident in court yesterday but Stipendiary Magistrate Mr Glynor Jones halted the trial because he could not hear her evidence.

Miss Jacqueline Berkeley, aged 21, of Haydon Avenue, Moss Side, Manchester, denies wasting police time, assaulting three officers and damaging police property.

Earlier the court heard of the police time spent investigating her complaint, after which, an internal police inquiry cleared all four officers said to have been involved.

The trial continues today.

High insurance spurs DIY security trend

High technology-based security devices are due for a sales boom soon, generated by the increase in household insurance premiums announced recently by the leading insurance companies.

Many of those sales are likely to be to householders willing to install the devices. The trend is highlighted in a report on the security, business, published yesterday by Jordans, a market analyst.

Discount schemes have been offered by insurance companies as an incentive for householders to install security equipment. However the survey concludes: "Insurers have decided to harden their rates of premium quite drastically."

£116,277 award for man left impotent by fall

A man whose sex life has been revived by drugs; won £116,277 damages in the High Court yesterday for the injuries that left him impotent.

A new sex rejuvenation drug allows him to have sexual intercourse, once a fortnight. "But this is not a permanent answer to a permanent problem," said Deputy Judge John Gorman, QC, who made the award.

In March 1982, Mr Christopher Sargent, a painter, aged 38, of Forrester Close, Canterbury, fell 15ft from a scaffolding.

Mr Sargent's former employers, P. J. Harte, of Writington, Avon, who denied liability, were found negligent and ordered to pay damages.

Provisional IRA terrorist convicted of murders and possessing explosive

A Belfast man was found guilty at the Central Criminal Court yesterday of taking part in the killing of three people in the IRA's 1981 bombing campaign in London.

Paul Kavanagh, aged 29, was unanimously convicted of the murders of Mrs Norah Field, a widow, aged 59, Mr John Breslin, aged 18, and an explosives expert, Mr Kenneth Horowitz.

Mrs Field and Mr Breslin died when a bomb showered tin nails into the street outside Chelsea barracks on October 10, 1981. It had been intended for Irish Guardsmen returning from the Tower of London.

Mr Horowitz was blown up as he tried to defuse a booby-trap device planted in basement lavatories at an Oxford Street Wimpey Bar on October 26, 1981.

Kavanagh was also convicted of planting another bomb at Debenhams in Oxford Street on October 26 and causing the explosion which blew in the walls at the home of the Attorney General, Sir Michael Havers, in Woodhayes Road, Wimbledon, on November 13, 1981.

Additionally, he was found guilty of possession, with intent to endanger life, of IRA caches of explosives, arms and bomb-making equipment found at Pangbourne, Oxfordshire, in 1983, and at Salcey Forest, Northamptonshire and Annesley Forest, Nottinghamshire, which were recovered by the police after an undercover operation in January last year.

Kavanagh unwittingly led them to Salcey and Annesley Forests, the jury were told.

The jury of six women and six men cleared Kavanagh of attempting to murder Sir Stewart Pringle, commandant-general of the Royal Marines, who was badly injured when a bomb attached to his car by magnet went off outside his home in Dulwich, south London, on October 17, 1981.

The verdicts came after two-and-a-half days of deliberation by the jurors in the trial, which began three weeks ago. The jury have spent the last two nights at a hotel.

They are still considering verdicts against a second man, Thomas Quigley, also aged 29 and also from Belfast.

Mr Roy Amlot, for the prosecution, told the court that both men had been members of the Provisional IRA unit responsible for the wave of

attacks in London in the autumn of 1981.

The cache of arms found by forestry workers on Hardwick estate, near Pangbourne, proved to be the breakthrough anti-terrorist police needed.

Mr Amlot said that there was ample evidence to link the cache with the attacks, including the discovery of keys which fitted a van and a VW Beetle used by the team responsible for the Chelsea Barracks explosion.

He said that fingerprints of Kavanagh and Mr Quigley were found in the cache. One of the prints was disclosed when the police used a new laser technique.

Mr Quigley's defence is that he has never been to mainland Britain. He told the jury that on the day of the Chelsea barracks bombing, he went to his mother's birthday party in Belfast.

His explanation for the presence of his prints on items in the Pangbourne cache is that while he was visiting his brother Frankie in Dundalk a woman delivered a bag intended for Frankie. He became "nosy", looked inside and took out a walkie-talkie and other items. He did not think they had anything to do with explosives.



Student antics at yesterday's United Hospitals Challenge Cup rugby final between St Mary's Hospital and Charing Cross and Westminster Hospital, in London.

Polytechnic students ban Jewish society

By Lucy Hodges, Students at Sunderland Polytechnic in the north-east of England have banned the setting up of a Jewish society there on the ground that Zionism is a form of racism, and students at the City of London Polytechnic will next week consider doing the same.

These moves are being watched with concern by the Board of Deputies of British Jews and the National Union of Students in London, who say they are anti-Semitic.

Mr Greville Janner, Labour MP for Leicester West and president of the Board of Deputies, said the banning of Jewish societies was a breach of the Race Relations Act.

Jewish students at Sunderland Polytechnic are reporting the students' union at the college to the Commission for Racial Equality.

The NUS will consider on Monday whether to recommend that Sunderland Polytechnic be suspended from membership of the national union.

"It is not a decision we would take lightly", Ms Karen Talbot, a member of the NUS executive, said.

On Tuesday next week students at the City of London Polytechnic will vote on whether they should stop supporting the Jewish society at the college.

The last time students voted to ban Jewish societies was in 1977 when 11 colleges, including Salford and York Universities, did so. The NUS nationally took a strong line against the bans and the colleges changed their policies.

Twins better

Both Siamese twins separated in a 10-hour operation at Great Ormond Street Hospital for Sick Children at the weekend were said to be improving yesterday, although both were still critically ill.

Gardener jailed for IBM killing

A gardener who battered his wealthy employer to death with a metal pipe was jailed for life at Winchester town court yesterday.

Timothy John Funge-Smith, aged 41, had pleaded guilty to murdering Mr Michael Robertson, an IBM executive, at his home in Salters Lane, Hayling Island, Hampshire.

Mr Roger Titheridge, for the prosecution, described how Funge-Smith, of The Seaford, Hayling Island, lay in wait for Mr Robertson, aged 41, to return home from a public house in the evening of October 5.

Mr Robertson was found wandering in the grounds of his home an hour later by his Greek Cypriot wife, Yvonne, 37, with their children, Andrew, aged 12, and Sophie, aged seven. He was taken to Southampton hospital where he died four days later from head injuries.

Funge-Smith was interviewed by the police the next day but gave them an apparently watertight alibi.

But when Funge-Smith heard the murder weapon had been found by the police with a palm print on it, he confessed.

David Stacey, aged 37, unemployed, of Eaststone, Hayling Island, who gave the false alibi, stood alongside Funge-Smith in the dock. He pleaded guilty to attempting to pervert the course of justice and was remanded on bail for 10 days for a social inquiry report.

Pilot tells how he killed 'erring' wife

An airline pilot yesterday relived the moment he choked his wife to death nine years ago during a fight over her affair with another man.

Mr Peter Hogg, aged 57, of Cranleigh, Surrey, denies murdering his wife Margaret, then aged 37, but admits making a false statement to obtain a divorce, and obstructing a coroner from holding an inquest.

The Central Criminal Court in London has been told that Mr Hogg dumped his wife's body, weighted with a block of concrete in Westwater, Cumbria, England's deepest lake, where it was found by chance by police divers in February last year.

Yesterday Mr Hogg told the court how his wife had clawed his face with her finger-nails and kicked him in the groin as they fought. "It was extraordinarily painful," he said.

As they fought, "She jumped on the bed and I followed", Mr

Hogg continued. "I got hold of her around the throat."

"I can only describe it as a state of total lack of control."

Mr Hogg said that he had considered reporting the incident to the police, but thought he would not be able to look after his two sons.

Earlier he had told the court how he had been shocked when his wife had told him of her affair with Mr Graham Ryan, aged 57, a banker, and had repeatedly asked her to end it.

Mr Patrick Beck, QC, for the defence, later told the jury that Mrs Hogg had "flaunted her affair to the world. She was 'a piece of erring humanity'", he said.

In his final speech, Mr Anthony Hacking, QC, for the prosecution, told the jury: "One cannot get away from the defendant's own words", which showed a clear intent.

The hearing continues today with the final speech for the defence.

Family defends right to 4-star hotel on benefits

By Nicholas Timmins, Social Services Correspondent

Department of Health and Social Security officials and the McDougall family, who walked out of the Adelphi hotel in Liverpool on Tuesday complaining of the service, yesterday defended the homeless family's right to benefit payments totalling £234 a week which enabled them to live in a suite at the four-star hotel.

Mr Robert McDougall, aged 46, said from the family's new home, a £45 a week holiday flat in Blackpool: "We are not spacers. We get only what we are entitled to." DHSS officials said the family had received "only what was strictly laid down in the regulations".

The McDougalls, including Robert McDougall who is unemployed, his mother Teresa,

aged 73, and his brother Michael, aged 30, had negotiated a special £200-a-week rate for a three-room suite at the Adelphi.

A DHSS spokesman said the three adults would each be entitled to £57 a week board and lodging allowance in the centre of Liverpool. The two men would receive an extra £10.30 for personal expenses.

Mrs McDougall's retirement pension and Mr Michael McDougall's sickness benefit would be offset against the supplementary benefit board and lodging payment, but Mrs McDougall received a £28.60 attendance allowance and a higher personal allowance, taking the total to £234.72.

Car makers are improving rust protection

Car makers are getting better at protecting vehicles against rust, but corrosion is still a key factor in 1.5 million vehicles ending up on the scrapheap every year, according to a report today.

A new car has an average life expectancy of 11.4 years in Britain, and stands a one in two chance of making it to 1996 the report in the Consumer Association's magazine *Which* says.

Cars found to have less serious rust than average include the Ford Fiesta, Vauxhall Astra and Carlton, the Audi 80 and Volvo 300 series; the Austin Allegro, Ford Capri, Ford Granada, Saab 99, Vauxhall Cavalier, VW's Polo and Golf, and the Volvo 200 series.

Motorists may be losing almost a penny a gallon because the margin of error allowed at petrol pumps is too great, the National Consumer Council says today, and added that government plans to reduce the margin are not stringent enough.

choice of tour operator, kept the hotel of their choice. The holidays on offer amount to one in ten of summer packages planned by Cosmos.

Reductions are up to £32 a person and £80 for a family of four. The lowest price on offer is £89 for a week in Tossa de Mar on the Costa Brava in May from airports in the south of England and £107 for a similar holiday from airports in the north of England and Scotland.



Bentley's Project 90: the shape of the future

New-look Bentley draws the motor show crowds

The probable shape of the first new Bentley car for 20 years which will not be a Rolls-Royce with another badge, was revealed at the Geneva Motor Show press preview yesterday. It could also be the first car from the Crewe company to use a combination of plastics, aluminium and steel in its body panels.

Project 90 attracted so much interest that executives of Mercedes, BMW, General Motors and Ford joined the crowds swamping the British company's stand to discover

why their own exhibits were being ignored.

The full-size styling mock-up of the sleek two-door coupé is part of a long-term plan to give Bentley once again a separate identity, with its emphasis on sporting and handling.

Project 90 uses the existing Rolls-Royce engine and running gear and so could go into production within two years, if the company, which is using the Geneva motor show to gauge reaction, decides to go ahead.

Price cuts for Spanish tours continue

By Derek Harris, Commercial Editor

Cosmos Air Holidays, one of the leading six British tour operators, yesterday reduced prices by an average 12 per cent on 25,000 Spanish holidays featured in their regular brochures.

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50	54	2,061	1,086	1,195	4,342	2,041
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40	44	5,445	2,970	3,158	11,473	5,445
45	49	5,398	2,959	3,125	11,382	5,398
50	54	5,319	2,933	3,085	11,207	5,319
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Congress bandwagon falters in south

Voters deal blow to Gandhi

From Michael Hamlyn, Delhi

Indian voters - especially in the south of the country - have set back the high-profile progress of the Congress (I) party in the recent state elections. In the Karnataka assembly, the Congress (I) party lost to the Janata party, which won a landslide victory. In the Andhra Pradesh assembly, the Congress (I) party lost to the Janata party, which won a landslide victory. In the Andhra Pradesh assembly, the Congress (I) party lost to the Janata party, which won a landslide victory.

The fact that his sensational victory in the December general election was only a pause in the regression of Congress (I) into a party of the periphery, Congress politics seem to be rejected. Other states returning Congress majorities yesterday were Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Orissa, Gujarat, Himachal Pradesh and Rajasthan. In the federally administered territory of Pondicherry, Congress returned in coalition with the regional Tamil Nadu party, the AIADMK. The Karnataka result was a fine tribute to the special qualities and charisma of the Janata Chief Minister, Mr. Ramakrishna Hegde, who for two years has struggled to hold together a tottery coalition, after Janata surprisingly found itself the largest party in the assembly after the 1983 election. Mr. Hegde returns to power with enough Janata party members to form a majority government. In Andhra Pradesh, the Chief Minister, the ageing former film star, Mr. N. T. Rama Rao, strengthened his position despite Congress bringing in no fewer than three other film stars to oppose him. Last year Mrs. Gandhi tried to topple Mr. Rama Rao. He recovered sufficiently for his party to become the largest single block of opposition votes in the central parliament, and to return to power this week, strengthened by disowning those who defected to his rival, Mr. Nandendra Bhaskara Rao, who briefly supplanted him last September and has also been returned to the assembly.

In Maharashtra, the Congress party has become the victim of inbuilt problems and of the attempt to cure them. During the election Chief Minister, Mr. Vasantdada Patil, aged 67, and controversial, had the stool kicked from under him by the Central Party who declared that "the leadership issue is still open". Furthermore, in an attempt to clean up the party image in a notoriously corrupt state the Central party refused to grant electoral endorsement to 134 of its assembly members, including 13 of the 29 state ministers.

Raid kills five

Colombo - Five people were killed and five injured at Point Pedro, the northernmost town in Sri Lanka, when security forces raided a number of houses. They said they recovered arms and ammunition.

Zia's constitutional changes anger former allies

From Hasan Akhtar, Islamabad

Pakistan's right-wing political-religious body, Jamaat-e-Islami, which was a partner in the martial law government following the removal of the late Prime Minister Mr. Zulfikar Ali Bhutto, in 1977, has criticised General Zia-ul-Haq's recent amendments to the 1973 constitution saying that "anti-Pakistan elements and artificial bureaucracy have managed the continuation of martial law in the garb of the constitution". Although political parties are banned, Jamaat-e-Islami is one of the few formally defunct parties which has continued to function without interruption.

A meeting of its executive was held earlier this week in Lahore. Jamaat had also sponsored candidates in elections to national and provincial assemblies, but had a poor showing in the polls last month. President Zia's amendments have been deplored by the anti-regime opposition and also attracted criticism from moderate political opinions and press which generally supported the general. Jamaat's criticism must have annoyed him considerably. Jamaat's long resolution said it was unfortunate that the regime started a new democratic era with undemocratic measures. It criticized the enforcement of amendments after the election and before the new Parliament met to consider them. The amendments, it said, basically changed the 1973 constitution, rendered the Prime Minister powerless and negated the agreed autonomy of the provinces. Jamaat further alleged that the amendments adversely affected the higher courts. LAHORE: A military court has sentenced 54 dissidents to 25 years in jail for plotting against the military Government (Reuters reports).

Our man in a taxi in Shanghai

From Mary Lee, Shanghai

Mr Trevor Mound cuts a dashing figure in this shabby city of 12 million Chinese, his erect 6ft 3in frame cloaked in an Inverness cape and Herdwick cap. Only his pince-nez gives any hint of age. He is 55 and the new British Consul-General in Shanghai, the first in 35 years. In six weeks' time, his "typically British car" will arrive, and he will be riding around in a royal-blue London cab, dressed in typically British attire from his Toddlit Street clothier near Parliament Square. But Mr Mound will not be moving into the old British consulate. That was closed in 1968 during the Cultural Revolution, the year after he joined the Diplomatic Service. It has since become the Friendship Store. His military background (he served in Malaya) helps in China, he says. "A great many people I've met have been guerrilla leaders. I tell them I was an anti-guerrilla leader, and we have something in common to talk about."

He was awarded an OBE in 1977, after four years in the embassy in Beirut, where he organized the evacuation of Britons when the civil war broke out in Lebanon. Much of his time now will be spent on helping to open up British business opportunities in China. So far, only a dozen firms, mostly oil companies, are represented in Shanghai, China's most important industrial city.

Mound expects to be kept busy with more delegations like Lord Young's, which left Shanghai yesterday for Canton. Trade delegations are important to show senior Chinese officials that our top industrialists are serious about China," he says. "But you don't send chairmen of companies to do ground work," he added quickly, preempting questions about the dearth of agreements signed and sealed by the highest-level trade delegates ever assembled.

Mound shows sympathy for British expatriates trying to do business in China. "The man in the field doesn't get treated as well by the local officials as his visiting chairman," he says. British television audiences will see him on BBC's documentary, *40 Minutes*, this autumn. Says Mr Mound: "They'll think all I do is attend banquets, drink maotai and dance with correspondents from Peking. But, with a staff of three, I assure you, there's plenty of work to do."

No joke: Comedian and civil rights activist Dick Gregory joins the twentieth anniversary Selma to Montgomery march.

Indonesia fears terror tactics in Timor

Lospalos, East Timor (Reuters)

Indonesia says Fretilin separatist guerrillas in East Timor are in bad shape and cannot fight on much longer, but officials fear they might turn to terror tactics against Government targets. Governor Mario Carrascalao said local support, vital in a guerrilla war, had dwindled for Fretilin, the Marxist Revolutionary Front for an Independent East Timor, and they might launch a campaign of sabotage and assassination of officials.

Indonesian military commanders in the eastern towns of Lospalos, Baucau and Viqueque told foreign journalists, allowed into the former Portuguese colony for the first time in 18 months, that Fretilin was short of food and ammunition and its leadership was split.

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Sihanouk forces battle to survive

From Neil Kelly, Bangkok

Thai infantry supported by aircraft and artillery have killed more than 60 of the 1,000 Vietnamese soldiers who invaded north-eastern Thailand on Tuesday, according to a senior Army officer.

Major-General Naruol Dechpradyuth said 30 Vietnamese had been killed on the barbed wire surrounding a hilltop in Surin province and at least 30 others had been killed elsewhere in Surin and in the adjoining Sisaket province. Two Thai soldiers were killed and 15 wounded. Five Thai civilians were killed by Vietnamese shellfire in the past 24 hours.

General Naruol accused Vietnam of deliberately violating Thai territory. In places they were three miles inside Thailand. He said Thai forces would battle to the death to repel the Vietnamese, who crossed into Thailand presumably in pursuit of retreating guerrillas.

Journalists are not permitted to enter the battle zone. Some 4,000 Thai villagers have been evacuated to safer areas and 80,000 Cambodian civilian refugees have been moved further into Thailand.

General Arthit Kamlang-Ek, the Thai Supreme Commander, will cut short a visit to France because of the incursion.

Minister overrules order to free Astiz

Buenos Aires (Reuters) - Argentina's supreme military tribunal has ordered the release of a naval officer accused of shooting a Swedish girl, but the Defence Minister, Sir Raul Borras, overruled the decision.

Defence Ministry sources said it was not clear if the order to free Lieutenant Alfredo Astiz, accused of abducting and shooting a Swedish teenager, Miss Dagmar Hagelin, in 1977, had been carried out.

Hours after news of the tribunal's ruling, Señor Borras issued a statement in which he instructed the armed forces' attorney general to declare the order null.

Lieutenant Astiz is accused of shooting Miss Hagelin as she fled from the house of a friend where a Navy squad was carrying out an anti-guerrilla operation. She was last seen alive in a Navy detention centre.

The Navy officer gained international attention in 1982 when he surrendered South Georgia Island without firing a shot during Britain's war with Argentina over the Falkland Islands.

Lieutenant Astiz also faces charges arising from the disappearance of two French nuns and 10 Argentines in late 1977. They were among an estimated 9,000 people who disappeared during military rule from 1976 to 1983.

The federal appeal court last month upheld a lower court ruling that Lieutenant Astiz's case be handled by a military rather than civilian court.

Borras has sworn in a new Army Chief of Staff, General Hector Erenu, as part of a re-organization.

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Rescue bid for Britons on bleak isle

By Kenneth Gosling

An international operation was mounted yesterday to rescue two members of a British services expedition trapped with only a tent for shelter on Brabant Island, one of the bleakest areas of Antarctica.

Britain, Chile and the United States are involved in an attempt to airlift off a 2,500-ft ridge the leader of the expedition, Lieutenant-Commander Clive Wagborn, who broke his leg after falling into a crevasse and Lance-Corporal Kerry Gill, who remained with him while the two other members of the party returned to their base camp to raise the alarm.

The accident happened at the weekend. Lieutenant-Commander Wagborn, leading 15 men in the third and final phase of a 15-month expedition, took three of them on a sledging journey along an established route. But one day out from camp, while descending an isolated ridge, he fell into the crevasse.

An expedition spokesman said: "They were all roped up, so the others were able to haul him to safety and they made camp. Two of them set off back to base."

Within hours of their return, Faraday base, the nearest British Antarctic Survey post, had been alerted. It is attempting to fly in a Twin Otter aircraft and land a glacier.

Chile offered to fly a helicopter from the north and the Americans offered to refuel it at Palmer station, about 80 miles from Brabant Island.

At the same time, HMS Endurance, the ice-patrol ship, set sail from the Falklands.

Brabant Island, about the size of the Isle of Man, is just outside the Antarctic Circle. The expedition spokesman called it "an extremely hostile place, entirely covered by ice and heavily crevassed".

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Arms firm included dog in Pentagon bill

From Christopher Thomas, Washington

The Pentagon has suspended payments of about \$40 million to General Dynamics Corporation, America's largest military contractor, after allegations that it billed the Defence Department for millions of dollars for political entertainment, advertising expenses, corporate travel and even for boarding a dog owned by a company official.

Mr Caspar Weinberger, the Defence Secretary, announced the 30-day suspension pending the outcome of further inquiries into improper charges. General Dynamics officials conceded under aggressive questioning at a congressional hearing last week that some of their claims had been improper.

The suspension will have hardly a measurable effect on the cash flow of the company, which is paid \$6 billion a year by the Pentagon for a range of military supplies and equipment. The company said that "any billings that are determined not to be bona fide will be withdrawn immediately".

The suspension, which came after investigations and audits by Congress and the Pentagon, is the latest in a series of actions by the Defence Department to hold back payments from contractors when there is dissatisfaction.

General Dynamics has conceded that items improperly charged to the Pentagon included entertainment of high-ranking military officials and \$105,000 for air trips by Mr David Lewis, the company chairman, mostly to his family's farm in Georgia. A federal grand jury is also investigating the Company's Navy shipbuilding contracts.

Another big Pentagon contractor, the Boeing company, is withdrawing \$61,000 in expense claims for political contributions.

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Detained Britons to face conspiracy charge

Lagos (Reuters) - Two British engineers held since last May are to be charged for the second time with conspiracy to steal an executive jet, a British High Commission spokesman said yesterday.

Mr Kenneth Clark and Mr Angus Patterson originally were charged in November with helping a British pilot and his girlfriend fly the plane out of Nigeria in defiance of a ban on aircraft departures during a national currency change.

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South African economic crisis

Fury over austerity package

From Ray Kennedy, Johannesburg

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South African consumers are also battling with hire-purchase rates as high as 32 per cent and 25 per cent prime overdraft rates.

Mr Barend du Plessis, the Finance Minister, is due to present his budget on March 18

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Two Kims promise to join forces as Chun eases ban on dissidents

The two Kims greeted each other on a Seoul street yesterday only minutes after the Government abolished its political blacklist to open a new era in South Korean politics.

A crowd gathered soon after police were withdrawn from around Mr Kim Dae Jung's house as his erstwhile rival for the presidency, Mr Kim Young Sam, arrived to celebrate his own new political freedom. Mr Kim Dae Jung's position, however, remains less clear, despite the ending of his *de facto* house arrest.

Mr Kim Dae Jung is not on the list of 14 who have had their civil rights restored, four years earlier than the Government originally intended. His 20-year sentence for sedition has merely been suspended and he will not be allowed to participate in the activities of any political party, though the Government can scarcely prevent him discussing politics.

At their emotional reunion, the first time they had met since Mr Kim Dae Jung was arrested by soldiers on May 16, 1980, the two men set the stage for a unified Opposition, which was heralded by the stunning success of the New Korea Democratic Party in last month's general elections.

Spokesman for the party said neither Kim would work directly for it, but they will support the party and democratic groups.

Together the two Kims could

From David Watts, Tokyo

be a formidable force in South Korean politics. Many think their rivalry for the presidency in 1980 allowed General Chun Doo Hwan to take advantage of the instability and seize power.

Both told *The Times* yesterday they were now ready to work together for democracy. "Newspapers say that we are rivals", Mr Kim Young Sam said, "but we are not really. For the sake of democracy, we must and will work together."

He said they discussed co-operation at yesterday's meeting, but his namesake said discussions on co-operation would come later, in two or three days.

The present situation gives Mr Kim Young Sam a clear advantage in any competition between the two to succeed President Chun if he sticks to his commitment to step down in 1985.

Mr Kim Young Sam will be free to travel and organize, while Mr Kim Dae Jung must remain essentially a figurehead for the moment. And that, Mr Kim Young Sam maintains, was the Government's strategy in lifting the remaining political bans. "It's aimed at splitting the two Kims. But the Government was also forced to lift the bans by the people's power shown in the success of the New Korea Democratic Party."

Mr Kim Young Sam said the two men would co-operate as co-chairman of the Council for

the Promotion of Democracy, from which the NKDP sprang. "I have no plan to have any position in the party," Mr Kim Young Sam said. "Anyway, this is not to gain political power or to gain an advantage for the party, it's to save the country. We want to make it a public movement."

Moving to lift the last of the 567 bans introduced in 1980 to "purify" the country of such people as the former Prime Minister, Mr Kim Jong Pil, now in the United States, and the former head of the old Korean Central Intelligence Agency, Mr Lee Hu Rak, President Chun appears to be bowing to political reality and seeking to demonstrate the stability of South Korea before he visits the US next month. It will also take the steam out of any possible protests when students return soon to their campuses.

"He's now expressed his willingness to respect the will of the people. But this is the least measure he could take to achieve that," Mr Kim Dae Jung said.

Mr Kim Young Sam said: "President Chun did not get that position with the support of the people, so the public do not think that he is 'our' president or that the Government is 'our' government. To avoid that situation again the constitution must be changed or else there will be no peaceful way to select the President."



Clearing up: Salvage work in Melipilla after the earthquake.

Clamp on profiteers as quake toll rises

Santiago (Reuters) - The death toll from Chile's worst earthquake in 15 years climbed above 143 yesterday and the Government threatened tough action against people trying to profit from food shortages.

"Speculation and hoarding of food in the affected zones have been detected," the Government Secretary, General Francisco Cauda, told reporters. "We will apply a rigorous policy against it."

He said 1,900 people had been injured and 160,000 left homeless.

President Augusta Pinochet declared disaster zones in Santiago, the coastal region of Valparaiso and Rancagua region south of the capital.

The worst destruction was in Valparaiso and the nearby port of San Antonio, one of Chile's most important, where most buildings lay in ruins.

Officials in San Antonio, which ships most of Chile's copper exports, said it could take up to 20 years to repair the port. Tonnes of fruit and copper bars for export lay scattered across wharves yesterday.

General Cauda said about 200 schools had been damaged and road and rail services were still disrupted. The armed forces were erecting temporary bridges on important arteries. Aircraft carrying emergency aid began arriving yesterday from neighbouring Argentina and Peru, while help has also been offered by Japan, the United States, Uruguay, Israel and the Organization of American States.

Jewish body rebuts Soviet claim that bank lent to Hitler

By Our Foreign Staff

A Soviet allegation that a Jewish-owned banking house lent money to Hitler, four years before he came to power, has provoked a detailed refutation by the London-based Institute of Jewish Affairs.

Tass published an interview on January 18 this year with the Soviet historian, Lev Kornev, in which he said that the Amsterdam banking house of Mendelssohn & Co provided Hitler with \$10,000 in 1929. He used this as an example of Zionist collaboration with fascism and revanchism which, he said, continues to this day. A report on this allegation was published in *The Times* of January 19.

Research carried out by the IJA, an arm of the World Jewish Congress, demonstrates that this accusation was lifted by Kornev from an old and long-discredited forgery.

The story first appeared in Holland in 1933, in a pamphlet published in Amsterdam under the title *De Geldbronnen van het Nationaal-Socialisme*.

Drie Gesprekken met Hitler (The Financial Sources of National Socialism: Three Conversations with Hitler). The author was named as Sidney Warburg, described as a partner in the American banking house of Warburg & Co; the Dutch translation was by one J. G. Schoup.

According to the pamphlet, Sidney Warburg met Hitler in July 1929 and offered him the financial support of US bank-

ers. His \$10,000 contribution was to be channelled through Mendelssohn & Co in Amsterdam.

The Dutch publishers quickly withdrew the pamphlet from circulation when the Amsterdam firm of Warburg & Co pointed out that there was no US banking house of that name, and no Sidney Warburg.

The IJA says that Schoup, invented the whole thing.

Despite the prompt debunking of the story it proved remarkably durable, and reappeared in various guises over the years. The latest, before Kornev, was *Springer's Nazionism*, published in Geneva in 1978, in which the Swiss writer René Sonderegger brought the tale up to date by accusing the German publisher Axel Springer of Zionist sympathies.



Axel Springer: Accused of Zionist sympathies.

Political mood changing in France

Socialists glimpse a silver lining

From Diana Geddes, Paris

The Socialists are entering next Sunday's local cantonal elections knowing that they are in for another drubbing but in better heart than they have been for a long time.

There are signs of a fragile but distinctive shift of mood among them - what M Lionel Jospin, First Secretary of the Socialist party, calls a *renouveau*. The dark cloud of defeatism and depression seems to be lifting.

Except for the rise in unemployment and a worryingly high foreign debt, the Government's economic policies are beginning to show encouraging results. Inflation is coming down, growth is continuing, investment has risen; wage increases are being kept down without provoking significant industrial unrest and industrial production is increasing.

On the foreign front, the two great headaches for the Government, as far as public opinion was concerned, have been removed. French soldiers are out of Chad and Beirut. New Caledonia, however, is a threatening cloud on the horizon.

At home, all is fairly quiet. The Socialists have taken no provocative sectarian initiatives for a long time. Many are beginning to wonder whether they still have a Socialist Government, particularly when M Jean-Pierre Chevènement, former leading light of the Socialist Party's left-wing and now Education Minister, is advocating policies dear to the right's back to basics, firm discipline and elitism in schools.

Last summer's two explosive issues - reform of private schools and the Government's press monopolies Bill - are dead and the Opposition has as yet found no other suitable batter-

ing ram with which to bludgeon the Government, though it tried with New Caledonia.

The Opposition itself is in a mess. It seems incapable of being organized on any issue, whether it be its attitude toward the National Front, proportional representation, the desirability of "cohabitation" between a right-wing Government and a left-wing President after the 1986 parliamentary elections or even the speed with which the two principal parties should conclude a common electoral programme. In-fighting between the three main opposition leaders continues more ferociously than ever.

Recent opinion polls show strangely contradictory findings. While 70 per cent of people are unhappy about the way France is being governed, only 22 per cent believe the Opposition would do any better.

Only a third approve of the Government's economic policies, yet a majority feel the Government should continue its economic rigour, even if that means accepting a drop in living standards.

The polls indicate that the sharp decline in the popularity ratings of President Mitterrand and his Government may be bottoming out. Softer, one of the most reliable polling institutions, found that public confidence in M Mitterrand's ability to tackle problems facing France fell from 74 per cent immediately after his election to 36 per cent last December but is now 41 per cent.

M Laurent Fabius, the Prime Minister, has been stealing the show. His confidence rating has risen five points to 55 per cent.

Separatists try again in Quebec

From John Best, Ottawa

A new political movement, the Rassemblement Démocratique pour l'Indépendance (RDI), is being formed in Quebec, dedicated to the province's separation from Canada.

Former members of the ruling Parti Québécois (PQ) who broke away over its decision two months ago to abandon the goal of Quebec independence, are taking part.

Dr Camille Laurin, aged 62, a former PQ Cabinet minister who led the revolt and is interim leader of the new movement, told a press conference in Montreal: "We have to maintain independence as a political goal."

Dr Laurin said the first goal is to provide a political home for all those who think that sovereignty is "important or essential" for predominantly French-speaking Quebec.

Pan Am threatens pilots

New York (AP) - Pan Am has told more than 2,000 pilots and flight attendants to cross picket lines set up by striking ground crews or risk losing their job.

Most of the airline's 19,000 hourly-paid workers have honoured picket lines during the week-old strike by members of the Transport Workers Union protesting over the airline company's refusal to restore a 14 per cent pay rise agreed in 1982. Pan Am has offered a 20 per cent increase over three years.

More than half the strikers - mechanics, baggage handlers and flight dispatchers - have been laid off and 800 food workers had their jobs abolished when Pan Am sold its kitchens.

The airline, which had a net operating loss of more than \$200 million last year, has cancelled 165 domestic flights

Swoop nets one guerrilla

Harare - The massive security cordon that paralysed the city of Bulawayo over the weekend netted a suspected guerrilla, a rifle, three pistols and 67 rounds of ammunition, according to an official statement issued here (Jan Raath writes).

The operation that began before dawn on Saturday went on for about 36 hours and involved hundreds of soldiers

and police. The statement, issued late yesterday, said that a total of 1,282 people had been arrested as a result of the house-to-house searches. Of these 139 were still being held, including the lone guerrilla and eight common criminals.

It is understood that the screening of the remaining detainees was virtually completed yesterday.

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The man who caught history in the making

Bert Hardy was the only British photographer with the Americans when, a little before dusk on the evening of September 14, 1950, they fought their way ashore at Inchon in Korea.

Beneath a sombre sky the landing craft lumbered toward what they thought was the beach. Out at sea to their rear the American ships put up a barrage of artillery fire.

Hardy knew that he had about 10 minutes to get his pictures. The light was fading fast and the air was full of rocket and mortar shells.

The beach proved not to be a beach at all but a high sea-wall which those in the launches were reluctant to scale. Hardy, wearing a tin hat, the only time he did so during his coverage of eight wars, leapt on to the wall and started taking pictures.

"It was very much a case of now or never as far as taking pictures was concerned", he told me when I talked to him about his new book and two exhibitions of his photographs opening next week in London and Bradford.

Hardy's action was not bravado but a finely tuned sense of professionalism. The late James Cameron, who was with Hardy at Inchon, wrote: "One of my enduring memories of that strange occasion is of Bert Hardy on the sea wall of Blue Beach blaspheming among the impossible din, and timing his exposures to the momentary flash of the rockets".

Today Bert Hardy is a staid 72-year-old and lives in a small farm in Surrey on the lip of a hill, which commands unrivalled views over rural countryside. It is 20 years since he hung up his camera and retired to farming, a subject about which he knew nothing at the time. "We found the farm quite by chance and had to buy it very quickly. Suddenly I owned cows and pigs and sheep without any idea of how to look after them."

Chance played an equally propitious part when 58 years ago Hardy's aunt told him that the Central Photo Service off the Strand in London had a vacancy for a messenger. He was 14 at the time and living with six brothers and sisters in two rooms just south of Blackfriars Bridge.

His job with CPS was to collect films for processing from customers who mainly lived in the West End, but it was enough to instil an interest in photography. He had also heard a rumour that Fleet Street photographers earned as much as £5 a week.

"I bought an old glass plate camera from a pawn shop opposite the Old Vic for ten bob and started taking pictures. I hadn't a clue at the time of what I was doing and have always been totally self-taught."

Hardy's use of a bicycle while on his delivery rounds led to a passionate interest in cycling. Indeed his first published pictures were of cyclists locked into the agony of time trials and were used in the magazine, *Bicycle*. George Moore, its chief photographer, introduced Hardy to the Leica, the miniature camera with the fast lens.

"I couldn't believe the results Moore was getting from his Leica. I immediately began to save and eventually bought a

The Times Profile: Bert Hardy



second-hand model. From that day I've never looked back."

Hardy's major successes went hand-in-hand with the fortunes of the illustrated magazine, *Picture Post*.

In 1940 he shot his first assignment for the magazine, a documentary on life in an air raid shelter. Within months Hardy became the mainstay of the magazine.

He was the first photographer to receive a credit in its pages when, in February 1941, the magazine, under the now celebrated photographs of London firemen fighting blitz fires, ran the words: "From our rule of anonymity we except these pictures. They were taken by A. Hardy, one of our own cameramen."

The Second World War was to be the first of Hardy's wars. He was a sergeant in the Army

Film and Photographic Unit and during his time photographed General Miles Dempsey crossing the Rhine, where the unit was mortared for its trouble; rode into Paris at the liberation in an army jeep with a borrowed Union Jack draped across its bonnet; and was with de Gaulle when the latter walked victoriously and confidently along the Champs-Élysées.

Korea was the high point of Hardy's war coverage. It was also to spell the beginning of the end for *Picture Post*. But Hardy's lasting contribution to British photography lies beyond his war coverage, with the gentler stories of ordinary people of Britain.

When the end finally came for *Picture Post* in 1957 Hardy stepped straight into advertising, bringing to the medium the 5mm camera and immediately creating the campaign for Strand cigarettes. "You're never alone with a Strand", screamed from poster sites all over the country. In his final year with the magazine Hardy was the highest paid photographer in Fleet Street earning £3,000 a year. His first year in advertising brought him £25,000.

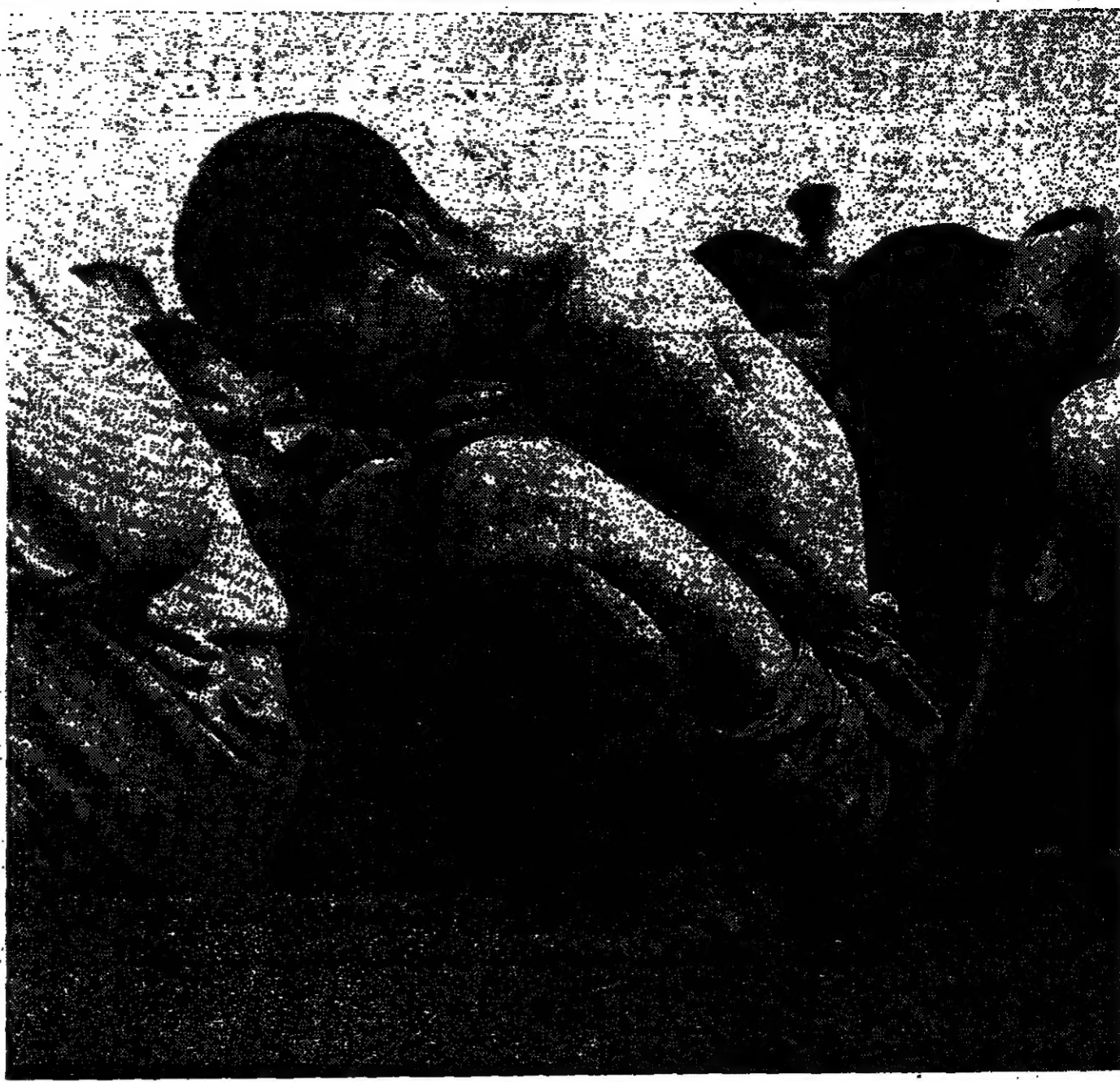
A retrospective exhibition of Hardy's photographs can be seen at the Photographers' Gallery, Great Newport Street, London, from March 15. A selection of his work for the magazine, *Picture Post* will be on show at the National Museum of Photography, Princes' View, Bradford, from March 26.

Michael Young

Bert Hardy: My life, published on March 14 by Gordon Fraser, price £14.95 hardback, £9.95 paperback.



Enduring quality: Immigrants to Liverpool (Picture Post, 1949). With such pictures Hardy captured the mood of postwar Britain



Political image: Hardy and James Cameron stumbled on this group of North Korean prisoners held by the Americans in 1950 (above), but Tom Hopkinson, editor of *Picture Post*, was twice prevented from publishing the pictures by the proprietor, Edward Hulton. Hopkinson, who proposed the layout (left), was eventually sacked

BIOGRAPHY

1913: Born, May 19
1918-27: Educated; Friar Street Elementary School, London, self-taught in photography.
1927-36: Worked as messenger and laboratory assistant, Central Photo Service, London.
1936-39: Photographer, General Photographic Agency, London.
1939-40: Founder of Criterion Press Photo Agency, London.
1942-46: Served as a photographer

in the British Army Film and Photographic Unit.
1941-57: Staff photographer with *Picture Post*.
Awards: Recipient of Encyclopaedia Britannica Awards; 1948 First Prize Picture Sequence 'The Gorbels'; 1950 First Prize Picture Sequence 'Inchon Landings'; 1952 First Prize Picture Sequence 'Piccadilly'.
1960: Founder with Gerry Grove of Grove Hardy, photographic processors, London.
1964: Became farmer in Surrey.



Disarming: One of the first wounded British soldiers arriving back in London after the Normandy invasion (1944)

Brownie beauties: Two showgirls snapped on the pier at Blackpool. 'It's the cameraman not the camera that wins the prize', Hardy wrote in *Picture Post* in 1951; the editor took him at his word and sent him off with a Box Brownie. The girls sat on the railings and the wind lifted their skirts. This picture proved to be one of my most popular, said the master of his craft

Hot ideas from the think tank

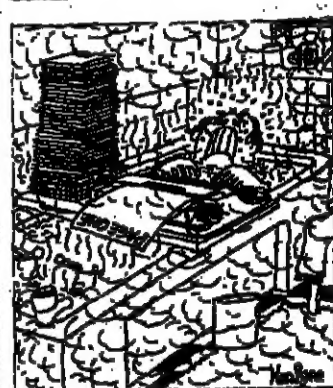
It could be the hothouse air or the effects of treating the human brain as a steamed pudding, but the best place for bright ideas is a hot bath. There are few more creative occasions than those spent stretched beneath an overlap of near-boiling water with open season declared on the mind. Warmth filters into the brain like good compost into indifferent soil. The temperature rises and the walls disappear behind a veil of steam from which ideas condense.

Sometimes they veritably pour from the tap. When Archimedes, who knew a lot about what happens when bodies displace water, leapt into his bath, he screamed "Eureka". It was not entirely because he had been struck by a theorem. It was because... thought-provoking water the temperature of molten steel had touched his toes.

My wife despairs. When other husbands leave pin-striped for the office to dictate to their secretaries or engage in meaningless conferences where ideas are plucked from the communal pool and polished by discussion, I sink off to the bathroom to emerge an hour or more later, radiant with notions.

The system does not allow for much communal thought with anyone but closest friends, save through the keyhole. For a working journalist in whose good ideas are sold corn, this has grave disadvantages when covering, for example, the miner's strike. The news-bound who tows behind him a wheeled bath, boiler and neat pile of logs is bound to be oddly regarded, although I do remember having a bright idea in the pitchdark shower at Bilton Glen colliery after I had been crawling along its coal face.

Sadly, the idea disappeared with a swirl of grime down the plug hole, uncollectable. There lies the greatest danger for anyone cursed with having his brightest notions when lying naked and horizontal among the seething vapours of a hot bath. When you have them, note them down.



I lost a flock of really cracking ideas in that way before I realized what was happening. I over-reacted. Whenever one coyly appeared on the fringes of thought I would grab it by the horns and pin it down, meanwhile leaping from the bath to search frantically for the means to write it down.

Once, when both hands were scrambling among the contents of two high shelves on each side of the window, trying to locate an elusive pencil, I realized that in my preoccupation with pinning down an idea, which was already struggling to be free, I was standing there stark naked: a boiled lobster in human form with the steam of the pot still rising from it.

Worse still, my eyes met those of a matronly secretary in the office opposite. Her glasses fell from her gaze to the full extent of their retaining cord. She was returning them to her nose as I dived for cover.

After that I kept a notepad beside the bath, but the ink ran and after a couple of hours the paper had turned to pulp. The ideal, or course, would be to mount a word processor across the thing that normally holds the soap and loofah, but I am told that no such machine is available that can operate in a bath without electrocuting the bather.

But what, I hear you ask, are these bright ideas that suddenly surface in the marvellous, provoking grip of a hot bath? Well, this is one of them. On my slate, slightly smudged by a wet footprint, is scribbled "Think Tank".

Ronald Faux

TOMORROW



Sister Collette and the nuns who fend off famine in Ethiopia

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THE TIMES DIARY

Mirror black-out

Norman Tebbit must have enjoyed his private dinner with Robert Maxwell at Mirror group headquarters on February 13. In the course of the evening, it transpired that Tebbit knew something that Maxwell did not. Tebbit's opinion piece on the Thatcher-Kinnock correspondence over the Poincaré trial, to the dismay and amazement of those senior editorial executives present, Maxwell immediately suggested that Tebbit should help rewrite the article. After much throat-clearing and shuffling of feet, Joe Haines, fiction editor of the Labour Party and the Mirror's political guru, asked Tebbit whether he was a member of the National Union of Journalists. Tebbit said no. The Mirror is a totally closed shop. Thus was Fleet Street's only Labour-inclined daily paper saved from the disgrace of having a leader dictated by the next chairman of the Conservative Party.

Battle-scarred

British civil servants working in Oman must be cursing the day scrap-metal merchants landed on South Georgia. As from May they will no longer receive pay supplements for being in a difficult post overseas. The reason? Oman has been replaced on the list of 70 "difficult" postings... by the Falklands.

Taking a liberty

Party politics do not enter every aspect of the hard-to-fathom affairs of the National Council for Civil Liberties. Among the 12 candidates for the NCCL executive council is Chris Landis, nominated by Bill Ridsdale (Transport Minister). Ridsdale is Mr Patricia Hewitt (Neil Kinnock's press officer).

Yesterday's IBA decision to screen the banned 20/20 Vision programme on bombing has at least spared Virgin Atlantic passengers. Virgin's chief, Richard Branson, was considering showing it as the in-flight movie.

Golden words

It is to Georgian, not Victorian, values that we have returned - and that's official. To Nigel Lawson the free-market Adam Smith Institute sent its reprint of the 1810 Bullion Committee report denouncing inflation caused by over-issue of paper money. The Chancellor has just replied. He is grateful for the "continued support" of the committee's members. "If you have any of your communications with them, you may certainly reassure them that I shall continue to be guided by their perceptive analysis, and resist calls to depart from the underlying principles of monetary discipline they set out 175 years ago."



Barry Fantoni

Bagehot stuff

Norman St John-Stevens has been asked to chair this year's Booker Prize panel. Whether he is an expert on modern fiction is a moot point. The bulk of his own literary output since 1959 had been a biography of the 19th-century constitutional historian Walter Bagehot and the editing of no less than 13 volumes of Bagehot's assorted works.

Shore thing

Upstairs of membership in constituency parties are a sure sign of reselection fever. On Monday Labour's national appeals committee will investigate just such an upsurge in Stirling, where Peter Shore is clinging on for dear life. In January the constituency's Spitalfields ward received membership applications from 91 people, mostly Asian, enough to swing the ward behind Shore. On January 24 the constituency's general management committee bent on removing Shore - spent so long discussing racism that it had "no time" to approve the applications. This meant the applicants were not eligible to vote for new officers at the Spitalfields ward annual meeting on February 14. Shore's supporters swiftly complained to national HQ. The party's national agent, David Hughes, told the GMC to postpone the Spitalfields meeting. The GMC ignored the order and officers hostile to Shore were duly elected. Postscript: the GMC has now investigated the applicants and has accepted 52. Of the rest, one is dead, three lived outside the constituency, and the others were inexplicably untraceable.

This evening Islington town hall in Upper Street, N1, will be ablaze - not, it should quickly be said, the work of ratepaying incendiaries.

A sort of people's festival is to take place in the civic auditorium, while upstairs the debating chamber the councillors are to make decisions in defiance of the Islington rate-cap. That's the official script, written more or less the same way in a score of other local authorities where New Left enthusiasm for public participation combines with a hard-line calculation that a town hall fund of committed and lubricated spirits might caution potential Labour backsliders in the council chamber.

This is the long-awaited week when Labour's municipal recalcitrants in England are supposed to put their objections to the 1985 Rates Act into law-breaking votes. In fact, for most of the rate-capped councils, the decision can be postponed. They will, meanwhile, be looking closely at the Government's response to Edinburgh's bid to go for broke.

Counties are breaking the law if by the week's end they have not made a rate for 1985/86 and the arithmetic of the final votes for the Greater London Council and the Inner London Education Authority is satisfyingly complex.

But anyone seeking a fundamental sense of the future should be looking elsewhere: to print-outs from Cooper and Lybrand's computers; perhaps also to dinners given by Lord Rothschild, first head of the

Government think-tank, the Central Policy Review Staff.

Rothschild, with Christopher Foster, Cooper, Lybrand's local government specialist and a former London School of Economics professor, and a couple of bright young civil servants, are doing the thinking for the no-holds-barred inquiry into the future of council finance led by the DoE ministers, Kenneth Baker and William Waldegrave.

The inquiry promises much. Patrick Jenkin, the Environment Secretary, wants it to lay the basis for re-establishing the relationship between councils and the centre - a relationship he admits to be unsatisfactory.

At least, the Baker-Waldegrave inquiry is a rebuttal of those who say the Government has blundered during the last five years from one half-baked solution to another (the abolition of the GLC and the metropolitan counties being the main examples).

Rothschild et al are making a fresh start. Whatever finally emerges from the discussions it will be hard to say that all the options, however unpalatable, have not been examined. It would, however, be a brave man who after the two years of internal wrangling between 1981 and 1983 did not agree with the Prime Minister that domestic rates are here to stay.

A sense of déjà vu attends the

inquiry. Central-local relations were a topic for the "think-tank" (after Kenneth Berrill had replaced Rothschild) and Foster was a witness in the futile Layfield inquiry into council finances in the mid-1970s.

Yet Baker - still fighting for a tough reputation to carry him into a Thatcher cabinet? - is telling people the inquiry's conclusions will be the mainstay of the next election manifesto.

Likely options include a national cap on the rate levied on industry and commerce and a drastic simplification of the rate-support grant, measures which match the Government's economic philosophy; but without compensating policies for the cities they could hit Liverpool, Manchester and inner London even harder than rate-capping.

Possibly by midsummer the municipal landscape will look more peaceful than this week's warring talk seems to presage, although dramas aplenty will come in the autumn and next year as more inner-city Labour authorities and possibly a few northern counties fall into the rate-capped list.

The Government's objective between now and then is a sequence of decisions, in favour of legal rates which, Jenkin says, will all be lower than they would have been without rate-capping.

But the carefully laid plans of

Jenkin's officials, including, in the newly-appointed DoE permanent secretary, a glib financial expert, could come unsmack. Their main worries are:

● **Liverpool.** Some chaotic, albeit temporary, dislocation of public services in the city is a real possibility; direct rule by Whitehall will not be chosen until it is clear that the Government is intervening to save Liverpool pensioners and schoolchildren from the consequences of city hall mayhem.

● **Court action.** DoE officials acknowledge the dicta of the Divisional Court to be one factor they cannot plan for. But the operations of the courts work two ways. The Government sees an almost automatic process of arraignment and possibly disqualification if Labour councillors deliberately flout the accepted rules on budget-making and fiscal prudence.

● **Kamukaua councillors.** Without doubt there are ways the councillors for example in Hackney, where Labour has a huge majority - could bring the town hall down around their ears.

By the summer it is possible that Jenkin will be able to pronounce rate-capping to have worked. But the nagging sense will remain that the present system of finance is deeply unsatisfactory, increasing the pressure on the Baker-Waldegrave venture to find a basis for ordered reconstruction of the financial bridges between town hall and Whitehall.

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by David Walker

Peter Bradley finds anti-semitism in left-wing rhetoric

Why Labour is losing its Jews



Peter Bradley

critique of Zionism and of Israeli government policies, and that which "spilled over into opposition to the Jewish community" and was therefore, as he said, "wholly unacceptable" to Labour.

It is to this test, many Jewish members of the Labour Party believe, that Ken Livingstone's recent pronouncements on the British Jewish community should be put. In an interview published in December in the Israeli trade-union newspaper *Davar*, he seemed to go out of his way to cause offence to Anglo-Jews. With what has been described as an "ignorance matched only by his insensitivity", he alleged that the Board of Deputies of British Jews is "dominated by reactionaries and neo-fascists". He went on: "Progressive Jews support me; only Jews who hold extreme right-wing views oppose me". Greville Jenner, Labour MP and president of the Board, called on Livingstone to apologise; the Board's secretary-general rejected the comments as "most objectionable".

What really stung Jewish members of the Labour Party was Livingstone's claim that Jews had traditionally supported Labour "not necessarily because they were socialists, but because the Conservative Party was anti-semitic". Nothing could have been calculated to offer greater insult to Labour's Jewish activists, not only justly proud of the contribution both individual and organized Jews have made to British socialism but also working as hard as any to secure the next Labour government.

The implication is clear: only that

small number of Jews who subscribe to Livingstone's kind of anti-Zionism can properly consider themselves "progressive"; to be acceptable, Jews must repudiate the cause that is central to Jewish secular life, Zionism, and must submit to a socialist triumphalism which asserts that Zionists are racist because they subscribe to a Jewish national liberation movement (while Palestinians who support their own are not); which identifies Israel's leaders with the Nazi architects of the Final Solution; and which seeks to diminish the traumatic significance of the Holocaust, which Livingstone has claimed in *Labour Herald* was "skillfully exploited in the demand for a Jewish homeland".

The excesses of anti-Zionist activists within a number of campaigns which the Labour Party broadly supports, and which in turn influence the development of Labour thinking, have also served to isolate, alienate and at times intimidate their Jewish subscribers. The collective which runs *Spare Rib*, the feminist magazine, has declared that "if a woman calls herself feminist she should consciously call herself anti-Zionist"; the City of London Anti-Apartheid Group, in a pamphlet calling for the release of Nelson Mandela, gives prominence to its support of the PLO in its fight against Zionism. The list of campaign groups, sects and caucuses in which Zionists, and by extension

Jews, are no longer welcome is a very long one.

It is really surprising, many Jews are asking, that the Jewish attachment to the British Labour movement is becoming tenuous. Is it not that the mainstream has failed to protect its Jewish members from the aggressive zeal of the extremists and the insensitivity of their supporters just as it has ignored the special needs of the blacks? For in almost all sections of the "progressive" left, Jews claim they are being made to feel they are welcome only if they are at least non-Zionist, and preferably sufficiently anti-Zionist to be paraded as token Jews who dispel all suspicion of anti-semitism. Indeed, the left is at pains to cover all the angles: it qualifies its opposition to Zionism by restating its commitment to the fight against anti-semitism and it qualifies its opposition to anti-semitism by reaffirming its anti-Zionist struggle.

The problems of the Middle East will not be solved by isolating British Jews and driving them out of the Labour movement. But a modest contribution may be made by those who genuinely seek a just settlement for Palestinians and Jews alike, if they were to strive, fraternally and earnestly to bridge the gap which divides moderate Zionists from moderate anti-Zionists. That gulf is by no means so wide as most would imagine.

Jews in the Labour Party, along with a great many others are calling for a reassertion of Labour's tradition of tolerance, reason and understanding. It is only reasonable to expect that until the left, in expressing its anti-Zionism, begins property and sensitively to distinguish between Jews and Zionists who will experience difficulties in differentiating between anti-Zionists and anti-semites.

Meanwhile, Jews both inside and outside the Labour Party continue to be sensitive to and apprehensive of the pronouncements of Ken Livingstone and other prominent anti-Zionists and of the licence their passionate though ill-expressed convictions seem to afford genuine anti-semites. As Livingstone himself wrote in a recent *New Socialist* article: "As socialists... our practice must always be to examine critically the policies and actions of all those who hold positions of power and judge them on the basis of whether or not their actions take us closer to or further away from a fairer and more democratic world." That sums it up.

The author is a member of the executive committee of Poale Zion, the Jewish socialist society affiliated to the Labour Party.

Scorsese and Robert De Niro. There is - or was - an episode in which Pavlova's train stops in the desert sands. I mean that as a symbol of the crisis every true artist faces. Anna, this small and fragile woman, seizes her suitcase and declares herself ready to cross the desert. Scorsese said this was the best scene, and I agree - but British viewers will not see it. It has vanished, along with much of the music. The music was the film's nerve centre, its explosive emotionality.

Both sides should have observed the contract and ethical obligations. As it is, the film will be shown in a distorted version. I hope that on Sunday all those who remember and love Pavlova will lay flowers at her grave. (She died in Hollywood in January 1931 and was cremated at Golders Green.) I hope also that my fellow film-makers and British film-goers will work for the original film to appear on western screens.

Replying to Lotianou yesterday, Constantine said that every change made in the film had been with the agreement of the Soviet authorities, who had sent representatives to supervise the English editing. That editing had been essential, he added, because "western audiences are not used to slow, long films, as Russian audiences are; they would not sit through a three-hour version".

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Ronald Butt

Not only moral but right

The campaign to persuade Everyman and Everywoman that they are in danger of having thoughts that would put them in the world of respectable opinion requires activity in the media. This most usefully takes the form of ostensibly even-handed analysis presented in terms which subliminally tilt the balance of argument in the desired direction. It is even more important to find a new term to describe the ideas condemned to intellectual annihilation. This should be introduced as though it were already a generally accepted objective description. Its precise meaning should be undefined, but it should preferably carry pejorative overtones from other associations.

Such an invention is the "moral Right" and it was used in classic campaigning manner last week in a BBC2 *Newsnight* programme on questions raised by the High Court ruling in the Gillick case, that it is illegal to prescribe the contraceptive pill to girls under the age of consent unless parents have given their consent - a ruling the DHSS is now challenging in the House of Lords.

There are, of course, some ambiguities in the ruling. For one thing, it allows that contraceptives can be supplied in an emergency, and it is presumably an emergency to decide what is an emergency. Then, as was pointed out on *Newsnight*, there is nothing to stop boys and girls going to a doctor or clinic to be advised on the law and to be given advice on contraceptives of all kinds (after which they procure whatever is easily available elsewhere). Still, doctors now may not that if they prescribe this drug (which like many others has potentially damaging side-effects), without the parental agreement needed for other medical treatment.

So the programme told stories of pregnancies risked by the new ruling and family planning doctors displayed their fury and (in one case at least) an intention to defy it.

But the central point of the programme was to convey the message that the Gillick case was no more than the tip of a dangerous iceberg. The programme's presenter, Ms Joan Bakewell, said it out: "The forces of the moral Right are on the move... For them the Gillick ruling is only the start."

There was, of course, nobody around to ask Ms Bakewell to define her terms, or to inquire into the justification for using the term "Right", with its political nuances, to describe the concern of parents (who are as likely to be Labour-voting as Tory) for the moral and physical welfare of their children. There was nobody to ask whether the term "Right" was assumed on *Newsnight* that whatever was politically undesirable as Right must be wrong. Nobody asked whether the opponents of the moral Right could be described as the immoral Left.

Indeed, one of the achievements of the kind of people enraged by the Gillick ruling has been to reduce the status of "moral" to that of a non-respectable word when they take their message to young people in and out of the classroom. They take it as axiomatic that it is wrong to "preach" or "moralise" in talking to children about sex; indeed, it is as though sex is the one part of life to which it is almost indecent to apply the word morality.

That, no doubt, is why Ms Bakewell once gave her blessing to the sex book for children *Make It Happy* ("a good guide for teenagers") which declared: "Sex isn't just for adults", advises that nothing gives

grounds for guilt if you like doing it, and instructs children about virtually every sort of aberrant sexual activity, including information about what precise kinds of bestiality are inside and outside the law. Love is only mentioned in the context of a statement that incest between brothers and sisters, though illegal, "can be a loving relationship".

There is still much resentment on the immoral Left that the DHSS got the Family Planning Association to take this book off their shelves but I am told that it remains in some school libraries and there is much more of the same sort, or not much better, still in use. It is this kind of propaganda which really explains the kind of protest Mrs Gillick represents.

Mrs Gillick herself, as a Roman Catholic opposed to any artificial contraception, is an easy target for her opponents, and the great majority of her supporters on the present issue would not agree with her on that. Nor if other things were equal, might they all be opposed to allowing doctors discretion to prescribe the pill to extreme problem cases where it was clear that nothing would otherwise protect girls with psychological problems, who were not open to persuasion. But other things are not equal.

Mrs Gillick has support because parents do not accept the assumptions on which the pill is often prescribed. They know that too many of those who prescribe it see it as the natural follow-on to the advice they give children, which is to let them understand the facts, they wish to be sexually active, there is no possible objection, provided that pregnancy does not result.

This advice is often given in terms which divorce sex from love and ignore the fact that it creates a bond which, if broken because it is premature, is likely to lead to emotional trauma and instability. Yet one seldom hears from the sex educators a clear and unambiguous statement that premarital sexual activity is emotionally and also physically (carrying increased risk of cervical cancer) dangerous. A doctor on the *Newsnight* programme preferred to find it unacceptable to put children's health "at risk" (by denying them contraceptives) to fulfil the beliefs of "someone else" that sexual behaviour is only acceptable "after marriage" or only "after a certain age".

Anyone refusing to encourage the moral climate for which the pill is required for some children is a member of the moral Right, a label not exclusively used by Ms Bakewell. This month's *Marriage Today* carries a long article by Ms Rose Shapiro (formerly press officer of the FPA) attacking "Britain's sexual counter-revolutionaries" and proclaiming that after Gillick, "the moral Right are on the move," as a blunt puts it. It even cites one or two of my articles and says that they are duplicated and "endlessly quoted from" (by the moral Right baddies), which at least is good news.

But what is most interesting is Ms Shapiro's assertion that in all this activity in protection of the family and children "the Left is the ultimate adversary." I wonder how many Labour-voting parents really see what Mrs Gillick and her supporters are doing in this fight.

Still, if the cap fits, the immoral Left had better wear it. They may much liked the fear it gives. It impedes revolution and challenges the state. That, of course, could be one reason why so many people don't much care for them.

moreover... Miles Kingston

No, we're not chauvinists

I have just seen the first number of an enterprising magazine called *Le Magazine*, which is published in England for what it reckons to be 200,000 French-speakers living in Britain. We are the size of a town in Portsmouth, the magazine says: why shouldn't we have our own paper too? It is written half in French, half in English, and if you phone to inquire about subscriptions, the recorded message comes bilingually as well. It's 0494 778151, by the way, in Chesham.

The curious thing about it is that if it was published in France, the owners might well be in jail by now. The French are mounting another of their rear-guard actions at the moment against the invasion of foreign, i.e. English, words, and using the law which says you must never use an imported word if there is already a French equivalent. Well, the word *magazine* is a good old English word, as opposed to good old French words like *une revue*, *un périodique* or even *un journal*, so anyone publishing a periodical called *Le Magazine* is well advised to retreat to Chesham from where, I imagine, it would be hard to extradite people under this particular regulation.

French get so touchy, even paranoid, about what they think of as the contamination of their language and what anyone else would call a natural process. I once read a marvelous lecture given by Gerald Long in France, and in French, urging them to abandon their fear of foreign words. It totally convinced me. Unfortunately, it doesn't seem to have convinced the French.

The British, thank goodness, have no such customs regulations against the importing of foreign verbiage. For instance, we have no native word in common usage for a place where you go to eat, a café, a restaurant, bistro, brasserie, - all French. But does it worry us? Do we care that all the English words -

chop-house, eating-house, tavern - are hopelessly out of date? On the contrary, I think we actually prefer the foreign words because it would rather head for a trattoria or taverna than a plain Italian or Greek restaurant.

The rest of the time, the British don't even realize they are using foreign words. When I say, "Incongruently", "hacienda" or "consomme", the last thing that occurs to me is that I'm talking Italian, Spanish or French. Half the time we don't even realize we are using foreign. The average Briton would balk at going to a Lebanese or Sri Lankan restaurant because it would seem somehow well outlandish, but he wouldn't think twice about going Chinese or Indian. That's because Indian and Chinese food is by now, well, British.

The only time we British get upset by word imports is when we feel we are being flooded by American imports. Too much American jargon makes us feel our space is being invaded, and the Americans are very good space invaders. And of course, the kind of English that is invading France is not British English, it's American English. It would be nice to think that the trendy French are going round saying, "le mindier", "premier le butler", or "oui est mon interieur" but it isn't so.

The only consolation is that the Americans in turn feel threatened by, of all things, Spanish. There are now so many Hispanics in the USA that you half expect Reagan to make his speeches in Spanish and English. I think this is the real reason why Americans feel menaced by Nicaragua, actually, they suspect deep down that the Nicaraguans are going to invade and make Spanish the official language, which would leave the Americans, who are even worse linguists than the British, quite hopeless.

Meanwhile, good luck to *Le Magazine* in deepest Chesham Bois. Or do I mean Chesham Woods?

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BUILDING ON VICTORY

For twelve months the Government has had to wage a battle of resistance against the challenge of Scargillism. It was as necessary to do so in the interests of the majority of trade unionists as it was in the interests of the nation as a whole. Now, thanks ultimately to the support given to the elected government by those same working people, there has been a victory. But it has been at a high cost and now it is won there is a risk the question will increasingly be asked: was it all really necessary? It is at this point that the most difficult task confronts Mrs Thatcher.

When there is a battle to be fought on a single over-riding issue her leadership is constant and her courage never falters. That was true of her insistence in the last Parliament that there really was no alternative to the fight against inflation, and of her refusal to yield to those colleagues who besought her to take the easy road of trying to spend her way out of political difficulties. Even more conspicuously, she never compromised her conviction that the aggression against the Falklands had to be resisted.

It is not, however, clear that Mrs Thatcher is as good at building on victory as she is at achieving it. The Government's failure in this parliament to go on from resisting the immediate menace of inflation to deal with its fundamental long-term causes is a case in point. There is now also a danger that Mrs Thatcher may be less adept at handling the victory over Scargillism than she was at winning it.

It is not that there are any quick answers to the practical problems the strike has brought up, and there are certainly none to the questions about the coal industry itself, the details of whose future have to be worked out carefully in the coming

months. Nevertheless, at the end of a period which has put both the Government's strength of leadership and the people's attachment to democracy under some considerable test of nerve, the Prime Minister now needs to sum up for the nation what it has all been about and to give her guidance on where we go from here. For now it is all over, there will inevitably be retrospective doubts about whether it was all worthwhile, and about what the future holds.

Indeed, doubts repeatedly surfaced during the dispute. There were anxieties about the means and cost of enforcing the law and what the law should be; about the violence unleashed by the need to resist picket-line intimidation; about the role of the police; about the heavy financial cost of the strike both directly and indirectly to the nation. But at every stage such doubts were resolved because the nation, like Mrs Thatcher herself, instinctively recognized democratic necessity. That is why there was a victory. But now the doubts may set in more seriously.

First, how real was the victory and how is it to be measured? A victory there certainly was and it can best be understood by each citizen's asking himself and herself what would have been the consequences for liberty, parliamentary government and prosperity if Scargillism had again triumphed, as it did in 1974. But the nation needs to be guided towards asking and answering these questions for itself, and that guidance can best come from the Prime Minister.

Secondly, we have to look forward from what is behind us and to build on it, with working people giving the same support to the reconstruction of industrial attitudes as they gave to the resistance that brought victory

All this points to the Prime Minister's taking an early opportunity to speak to the nation, and the logical means is a ministerial broadcast. Neither Mrs Thatcher's well-known preference for a long discursive interview, nor the politician's dislike of a forum which gives the opposition a right of reply should deter her.

Such a broadcast should explain why there really was a victory and describe its nature. It would not be a triumphalist broadcast since the victory was democracy's. It would have to describe not so much the Government's detailed plans for the future but rather its broad aims. These must include a determination to assist the emergence of new and better work in the areas where pits must close, as well as making the coal industry itself more prosperous for its workers, perhaps through schemes of joint ownership. It has to show above all that it is not Mr Scargill who is the real friend of the mass of working people, and that their energies and aspirations can be released only if his kind of backward-looking and restrictive approach is removed from their environment.

Now that it is almost all over, and the miners are seen marching proudly back to work, demonstrating the natural instinct of decent people to be loyal to what they take to be their natural allegiance, there is a danger that misgivings may set in among the wider public whose sympathies are naturally with the apparent underdog in the hour of his supposed defeat. The sooner Mrs Thatcher can reinforce the message that Mr Scargill's defeat was a victory for the miners, and for working people generally, the better for the nation, not to mention the Government itself.

UNCIVIL, UNSERVICEABLE

Britain's largest civil service union, the Civil and Public Services Association, is planning a series of one day strikes on pay which will culminate in an all-out strike in May. On Tuesday the five other civil servants' unions met the CPSA to co-ordinate its general approach and this meeting was followed yesterday by the Pay Planning Committee of the Council of Civil Service Unions. That Committee is already far advanced in its discussions about waging what it calls a "guerrilla war" against the government in the next few months. All these moves take place against the background of the proposed merger between the CPSA and the Society of Civil and Public Servants which, in the minds of most militants within those two unions, will force a big enough union to "daunt the toughest minister".

The proposed merger of those two unions will almost certainly stimulate the other smaller civil service unions to rethink their independent status. The leadership of the merged union will obviously be interested in forming as large a group as it can, and would doubtless hope to attract the other unions by pursuing aggressive policies both on pay and against the government on a number of other issues. They visualize the formation of a single trade union encompassing anything up to half a million civil servants to face up to the government. Given the current flavour of civil service unions, and the encroachments on their leadership which have been made by representatives of the

extreme left, such a prospect is extremely unwelcome. No government of this country, of whatever persuasion, should be in a position where its bureaucracy belongs to a single union whose leadership is unpredictable, though probably hostile, with a capacity to disrupt or even discontinue government business in the name of industrial action. It is already only too clear from the behaviour of the left in trade unions where they have achieved control that they find it easy to persuade their members to take part in stoppages which masquerade as industrial action which more often have a serious and disruptive political purpose behind them.

The Communist Civil Service trade union leaders have been quite open about their intentions. Mr Ray Alderson, a member of the party and the vice-president of the CPSA has clearly spoken of his contempt for the law by saying his union "should have no truck with anti-union laws" - this from somebody who could lead the new merged union of civil servants.

Such a merger of the civil service unions would thus be an unwelcome development at the best of times. Even after the most recent legislation to ensure greater democracy within trade unions there could still be no guarantee that a mammoth civil service union would not be taken over by the left and used quite improperly against the government of the day. A foretaste of such methods is only too available in the minutes of

the Pay Planning Committee's deliberations on possible options for guerrilla warfare this spring. The planners speak of lightning strikes and walkouts, kept secret so that the government is not able to determine the timetable of the campaign by its use or suspension of members of staff involved in it. There is talk of one day disruption of all public services in specified towns with the intention, revealingly, of "keeping up the media impact" and to create "the public impression that the government was no longer in control of events". Because members would not receive strike pay, and would not receive official pay during their periods on guerrilla strike, the intention would be to plan the campaign to cause the maximum disruption with the minimum loss of pay.

It has become fashionable, in the aftermath of the Ponting affair for some civil servants and their apologists to claim that the policies and attitudes of ministers are largely to blame for the contemporary erosion in civil service morale. Most reasonable civil servants, however, accept that this government was elected on a platform to reduce the role of government and with it the size of the civil service base which supports the activities of government.

Those who are members of any of these unions should beware of the consequences of such a merger, and should certainly not be hustled into any kind of "guerrilla" strike, masquerading as a pay claim, but with a clear political purpose

FINAL ACT FOR FUN REVOLUTIONARIES

In a score of municipalities British socialism will today gain a new gallery of heroes and villains. However much they procrastinate (and the London boroughs and the districts will put off the evil day of making a legal rate as long as they can) Labour's rate-capped councillors now stand to be measured against their defiant talk. They will boast of George Lansbury and sing of dungeons grim. But the signs are that the Government's rather cynical calculation throughout the rate-capping exercise is correct: that Labour's left-wing councillors value power more than a place of glory in the socialist pantheon, that they will cling to office and make the shifts required, shifts which in most cases are perfectly manageable.

The cry from the inner cities is one of central state tyranny - and sure enough there are deeply worrying elements in the array of powers which ministers have taken to themselves in recent years. But beware the local rhetoric. Much of it comes out of the mouths of would-be revolutionaries; their commitment to local democracy is opportunistic. For the New Left the town halls are a convenient source of revenue, a base for campaigning,

a venue (in the words of Councillor McDonnell of the Greater London Council) "for opening up a terrain of class struggle".

There is a twofold remedy for such talk. One is the local ballot box (or ought to be, had the Government worked harder at making the vital connexion between those who vote in council contests and those who pay the rates). The other, between elections, keeping guard, is that odd public official, neither Crown servant nor local bureaucrat, the district auditor. After tonight's votes, or non votes, we enter his territory. There the remedies for financial improvidence, for unreasonable delay in making a rate, are tried and trusted. Municipal disobedience is a squalid business and its rules bear harshly on councillors who wilfully act outside the statutes. And at this point the Government can effectively disengage from its worryingly detailed surveillance of individual authorities.

Its immediate object is a series of town hall decisions in favour of legal rates, the timing of which depends on whether after April 1st the government will buoy with rate support grant the

finances of councils which have delayed their rate-making. However long it takes (Mr Jenkin's strategy of sweet reasonableness suggests later rather than sooner) the object now appears realizable, despite pitfalls in the shape of the Divisional out and the secretaries of the Liverpool District Labour Party.

But this spring's exercise is only a skirmish. Rate-capping is supposed to be educational, not least for the uncapped councils. That lesson is about cutting expenditure and municipal employment. And to turn those aggregates, let alone cut them, the councillors of Islington, Sheffield and all the other areas will have to bend the knee again next year, the year after, and lower still. They have tried with their billboards and full-page advertisements to move the public with their plight, and they have failed. However doctored, their own public opinion surveys cannot conceal the reservoir of distrust for municipal inefficiency. The Government's ambition of shrinking the local state still strikes a chord, even in the inner cities. In their council chambers this evening Labour's glory-seekers should buckle down to that reality.

The relative cost of education

From the Headmaster of Walford Grammar School

Sir, I write from a school surrounded by five others which are about to be paralysed by strikes. The issue is teachers' salaries and so, ultimately, about the proper price to pay for education. There are, of course, many possible approaches to the question. Might I simply pursue the one which has been provided by the Government itself?

Under the 1980 Education Act the assisted places scheme has enabled successive secretaries of state to pay fees from central funds, in whole or in part, for pupils at independent schools. Here, then, is an invaluable index. With a government which is dedicated to a market economy and a secretary of state who might be called its founding father, it is surely not inappropriate to use such fees as a guide to proper expenditure within the public sector.

What then does one learn? By a happy coincidence, we are also surrounded by five independent schools which are used for this purpose and whose annual fees are, severally, £1,872, £2,142, £2,226, £2,670, £3,180. Their average fee of £2,418, therefore, is surely a reasonable guide to what, on his own principles and reckoning, the Secretary of State should regard as an appropriate cost.

How, then, does this figure of £2,418 compare with costs within the public sector? Again the answer is easy to ascertain. From the accounts of Hertfordshire County Council the corresponding figure for the cost of public secondary schools, places in 1984-85 is £1,125, to which at most 5 per cent should be added for central administrative costs.

I need hardly say that this grotesque comparison is not due to meanness on the part of Hertfordshire, which has always been one of the most generous and liberal-minded of county councils. Its inability to do anything whatsoever to remedy the position is entirely due to the penalties which would be inflicted by the Department of the Environment if any attempt were made to spend more than 50 per cent of what the Secretary of State for Education evidently regards as appropriate.

It is appreciated that there are many competing demands upon the public purse. Until the Government acts with a little more consistency, however, it will be difficult for its protestations to be taken seriously by the large numbers of distinguished and devoted teachers who have chosen to serve in the public sector.

In the meantime is this not a situation which should draw them and their employing local authorities closer together, rather than apart?

Yours faithfully,
KEITH TURNER, Headmaster,
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Rickmansworth Road,
Watford,
Hertfordshire,
March 1.

Interests of the State

From Sir Donald Tebbitt
Sir, I would like to suggest that your editorial castigating (February 23) of a quotation from Mr Justice McCowan's direction to the Ponting jury was muddled and mistaken.

Certainly the maintenance of the degree of national consensus on which our Constitution rests is of the highest importance. That consensus requires, among other things, acceptance by the Government of the day that it cannot govern if it loses the support of Parliament for its measures - between elections or that of the electorate at an election. But, subject to that, her Majesty's Government has the duty of evolving and carrying out policies on behalf of the Crown and of presenting them to Parliament.

It was surely in this sense that Mr Justice McCowan ruled that "the policies of the State were the policies of the Government in power", meaning in this instance the policies followed in the Falklands war, including the sinking of the Belgrano and the presentation of those policies to Parliament.

A drawback in not having a written Constitution is that the means of testing the constitutional legality of the actions, including the legislation, of British governments is not set out as clearly or as formally as, for example, in the United States. But that should not be used to disguise the fact that it is the responsibility of the government in power to decide on policies which become the policies of the State until they are democratically changed or judicially rendered void on legal or constitutional grounds.

Yours sincerely,
DONALD TEBBITT,
35 Buckingham Gate, SW1,
February 27.

Truly dreadful

From Sir Anthony Hayward
Sir, Your India correspondent, reporting recently (February 20) on Princess Anne's visit to Calcutta, fell into the common error of attributing to that great metropolis the inspiration for Rudyard Kipling's "City of Dreadful Night". Kipling was, of course, writing about Lahore, where he knew intimately, whereas he only visited Calcutta twice in his life, the second time on his way out of India for good.

It is true that after the story appeared the second city of the Empire became known as "The City of Dreadful Nights", but presumably your correspondent did not have us in mind when filing his report. I have the honour to be, Sir, yours etc,
ANTHONY HAYWARD,
Dane Street House,
Chilham,
Near Canterbury, Kent.

Freedom to operate the local buses

From Professor Alan Day

Sir, I believe that very few people would be content if the Co-op had a monopoly of sales of food and clothing, if wine could be bought only from a state liquor store and holidays only from the equivalent of Intourist. Yet many of your correspondents demonstrate a dearth of competition and a failure to realise its virtues when it comes to the provision of local bus services.

There is, in truth, good reason to expect that the Government's radical proposals will improve public transport facilities by providing for innovation (such as shared taxis and minibuses) which have not been possible under the present regime of local monopolies and by substantial cost reductions resulting from the injection of small scale enterprise and the removal of unjustified restrictive practices.

There is, however, the danger that an over-simplified enthusiasm for competition may limit the benefits coming from the proposed legislative changes and indeed a major discredit to the whole initiative. The biggest danger is that free competition, without regulation designed to maintain it, could, after a time, lead to a renewal of local monopoly by those undertakings with the greatest financial strength, who could swamp and undercut the competition, until it had been driven out. There is also the danger that the travelling public will become confused and frustrated if timetables and routes are inadequately co-ordinated or are altered at short notice.

These dangers could be much reduced, if the Minister were to make clear that the provisions of clause 5 of the Transport Bill (which require registration of particulars of a service with the traffic commissioner and require that the service be operated in accordance with the registered particulars) will be used to ensure that reasonable warning be given to the public of proposed changes in timetables, fares and routes; and that once a service is started it must be maintained for some minimum period of, say, six months.

Another way in which the dangers could be reduced (and also unnecessary traffic congestion in urban areas could be avoided) would be to

make sure that the good intentions of the White Paper are carried out by refusing to allow any single operator to enjoy the sole use of bus stations. One can imagine how competition between airlines would be inhibited if airports were to belong to individual airlines.

The proposed legislation should be amended to ensure that all bus operators have access on the same terms to all bus stations of any importance. This probably means that their ownership should be separated from that of bus operators.

The Government's initiative provides much the best basis for halting and indeed reversing the decline in public transport services. For too long bureaucratic inertia and distorted memories of the free-for-all of the 1920s have stood in the way of the development of an industry which is admirably suited to small-scale private enterprise.

Yours faithfully,
ALAN DAY,
Chart Place,
Chart Sutton,
Maidstone,
Kent,
March 5.

From the Secretary of State for Transport

Sir, Last night's Naunton Road PHS's Diary on February 27 about the bus service, let me add the facts of the situation which he left out.

The Gloucestershire County Council are asking the bus companies to say which routes and services they can cover without subsidy. They are then going to assess what extra services are needed and call for tenders from bus operators to supply them. The bidder who can provide the required service for the smallest subsidy will get the contract.

This is exactly the procedure proposed in the Transport Bill. It will enable local authorities to maintain the same services for less money or to improve services for the same amount of money if they prefer.

Is there any reason why PHS left out these reassuring facts?

Yours faithfully,
NICHOLAS RIDLEY,
House of Commons,
February 28.

The Speaker's memoirs

From Mr Michael Foot, MP for Blaenau Gwent (Labour)

Sir, I suppose it is some mark of progress that Viscount Tonyandyp does not attempt to defend the indefensible. But he should still be required to answer the real questions:

Does he think it necessary for the Speaker's job that he should be able to hold confidential conversations with members of Parliament of all parties? What gives him the right to break those confidences? And why does he suppose that such breaches may not injure the work of present and future Speakers?

He tells us to read his book, but readers will not find the answers there. What they will find is an unexpected streak of malice cutting through the cloying sentimentality. But I must not be tempted to stray from protection of the Speaker's office to book criticism.

Yours faithfully,
MICHAEL FOOT,
House of Commons,
March 6.

From Sir Charles Gordon
Sir, Mr Michael Foot mairs his letter of March 4 by his final paragraph.

In the first place, Mr Speaker Thomas did not "usually" accept without question the advice given him by his officials; *experts crede*.

Secondly, a retired Clerk of the House, not being in possession of all the facts behind a current procedural controversy, is in no position to give advice. I would never now presume to offer it unless asked to do so either by the Chair or by my

successor, in which case I should give it in private; indeed, I should consider it unprofessional to do otherwise.

Yours faithfully,
CHARLES GORDON (Clerk to the House of Commons, 1979-83),
279 Lonsdale Road,
Barnes, SW13,
March 4.

From Mr Richard Moore
Sir, I read Michael Foot's letter of March 4 concerning Viscount Tonyandyp's memoirs with a mounting sense of disbelief.

Is this really the same Michael Foot who acted as literary executor for the late Richard Crossman's diaries? A decade ago Michael Foot, and incidentally *The Sunday Times*, were to be heard upholding the right of a former Cabinet minister to reveal "confidential conversations and exchanges" which had taken place in Cabinet. Are the disclosures by a former Speaker of what went on "behind the chair" so very different?

Mr Foot argues that unless the confidential nature of the Speaker's business is preserved the latter "cannot do his job properly." He may recollect the Attorney-General's argument in the Crossman case that the revelation of Cabinet confidences would prevent the Cabinet from doing its job properly.

The Sunday Times, obviously, continues to reject this line of argument. Why does Michael Foot appear to have changed his tune? Yours faithfully,
RICHARD MOORE,
Worcester College,
Oxford,
March 4.

Purpose of Anzus

From Dr D. Allen L. Davies

Sir, Mr Lange makes an extraordinary statement in the first sentence of his article in your paper of Saturday, March 2. Europe and the United States are indeed ringed with nuclear weapons, and have been through forty years of peace. This peace may or may not persist, but in that forty years countries not ringed by nuclear weapons have not had peace but have had war; many come readily to mind - Ethiopia, Afghanistan, Angola, Chad, Cambodia, Korea and so on.

My conclusion is that it is safest to be nuclear defended. What were

Australia and New Zealand able to do for Timor and what will they do when trouble comes to New Guinea? What will they do if New Caledonia gains independence through socialist France for a tiny native faction trained last year in Libya, and becomes a Pacific "Cuba"? "Free" Vanuatu is no longer an impediment to that.

The weakness and vulnerability of the Antipodes would be laughable if it were not so desperately serious.

Yours faithfully,
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March 3.

Bombing of Dresden

From Mr Robert Kee

Sir, To quote Professor Pitt (March 1) against himself: "With hindsight, I do regret" the use of hindsight to distort history, as in his letter about the bombing of Dresden. Though we now know that the war in Europe ended on May 8, 1945, we did not know it then, and to say that it was then "clear that the German armies were collapsing" is not true of the situation as it appeared then.

Two days before the attack on Dresden, the Yalta Conference had ended, the first concern of which, we now seem to forget, was a "closer co-ordination of the military effort of the three Allies than ever before". In the West we had only just fully recovered from the German Ardennes offensive, though without annihilating the German armies involved in it; as late as January 20 Strasbourg seemed in danger, and we were more than a month away from any Rhine crossing, with no sure knowledge of what would happen when we attempted it.

In the East the great Russian offensive of January had come to a halt on the Oder; there seemed, in the second week in February, some

possibility that the new German front might be turned on its southern flank through Dresden which *The Times* then described as a communications centre "essential to the German Army".

The next great Russian offensive in fact only took place two months later, further north, but when the Red Army eventually captured Dresden at the very end of the war Stalin described it in an Order of the Day as "a strong bastion in the defences of Saxony".

As for blaming Churchill for a lack of any great concern about retribution bombing, in this as in so much else he reflected the feelings of the great majority of the British people at the time. On a bomber squadron in the summer of 1941 we were always given as targets of last resort "anything that opens and shuts in Germany" and the thought was not an unwelcome one.

My own view of the morality of these things has changed in 40 years, but that is nothing to do with the history of the time.

Yours faithfully,
ROBERT KEE,
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March 1.

ON THIS DAY

MARCH 7, 1912

The coal miners' strike of 1912 was the longest and most damaging of a number of industrial disputes in the decade before the outbreak of the Great War. The cause was the miners' demand for a minimum wage of five shillings (25p) for men, two shillings (10p) for boys. On February 26, 850,000 miners ceased work. Failure in the negotiations between owners and workers compelled the Government, in an unprecedented step, to force the parties into agreement by the Coal Mines (Minimum Wage) Act 1912. It came into operation on March 29 and the strike ended on April 11.

[MINERS' STRIKE]

MR. H. G. WELLS'S ADVICE TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES

Sir, - In common with the rest of the world, I am deeply interested in the possibilities of a settlement of the present coal strike, and I shall be glad if you will permit me to point out two considerations that seem to me to be quite fundamentally important in this problem. The first of these is the extreme suspicion of the men. They appear to be resolved not to return to work until they have a completely specific agreement that will leave nothing to subsequent discussion. I will not attempt to explain the origin of this suspicion, whether it be the work of insidious "agitators" or the vicious fruit of previous disappointments, or the reflection of our sordid political life, but it is a fact that it is there to an extent quite unprecedented in British labour quarrels. The general deterioration of our political life is manifesting itself in this struggle. The men believe no longer that they believed that our political leaders are in the last resort gentlemen, but as though they considered them in the worst sense of the words lawyers and "exploiters" do not, I say, wait to discuss the sources of this suspicion, much less would I justify it. It is so, and for the present problem it cannot be altered. The Government is dealing with a mass of men hopelessly shy of promises or subsequent adjustments, and the only conceivable way of getting to a settlement with such men is absolute frankness and explicitness to the utmost detail.

And that brings me to the second essential fact to which I would call attention: the ignorance of the men. The men have submitted a detailed demand for a specific minimum wage in every district. They seem, to an unbiased observer like myself, to have prepared that demand with considerable care and moderation. We are told that what they ask is in several cases unreasonable. If that is so, why are our expensive Government officials and why are the owners unprepared with an alternative scheme which is reasonable and that will permit of a working profit? This strike has been coming visibly for a long time. Why haven't the "experts" a detailed, lucid statement to make that could be put up against the men's specific claim? This struggle is, in my opinion, undeniably creditable to the English governing class. It is a worse disillusionment than the South African War. Here are the men on the one hand, clear, informed, exact: here are the owners and the Government on the other, vague and windy, and standing on their dignity. In my small experience of business transactions I have always refused to deal with people who stood on their dignity when I wanted accurate figures. The people we trust to govern the country are taken by surprise after a full half-year's warning to be inadequately informed and careless. They didn't know; they didn't even know they didn't know. I ask over my dwindling fire of indignation, the expression of discomfort to come, and it is not against the miners that my resentment gathers. It is against the traditions and shams of party politics, against the organisation of ignorance by the public schools, against the assumption of exploitation of Parliament by lawyers that leaves us now with nothing but shifty politicians in a crisis that cries in vain for knowledge and steadfastness.

The miners, and not only the miners but the Government, are restless and out of hand. The situation is stupendously dangerous: we must go back 130 years to find a situation as dangerous. If this strike goes on it will go on to the point of revolution and something indistinguishable from civil war. Let the ruling and owning classes stop a resistance that is at once planless and extraordinarily exasperating, give in at once to demands that are still clear and finite, stop this struggle now at any price, and then, with such haste as they can, set about learning their business a little more thoroughly than they know it at present time, and recovering that confidence which has so recently been given them in such generous measure by the mass of British workers.

H. G. WELLS,
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Funeral honours

From Professor John Honey

Sir, Incorrect nomenclature? Mr Litten's case on "pallbearer" (March 2) can only be sustained if we restrict carriage to carrying coaches and horses and manufacturers to hand-made goods.

The well established modern sense of pallbearer is one of thousands of examples of the way the English language has been developed and enriched by a refusal to limit the use of words to the meanings they had when they entered the language.

Yours faithfully,
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Touche

From Mr Peter Barker

Sir, Your Correspondent in Paris, Diana Geddes, today (March 1) makes gentle fun of the latest French moves against "one of their favourite bêtes noires" (sic) - Franglins.

When we ourselves do the same thing in reverse should we not get it right and insist on the femininity of the beast?

Yours faithfully,
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THE ARTS

صباح الامل



Simmering hostility: Diane Fletcher, Richard Briers

Why Me?

Strand

Something worrying is happening to Richard Briers, who appears to be going through the comedian's equivalent of the change of life. Compare, for instance, his sparkling, resilient performance in *The Good Life* with the dolefully peevish figure he cuts in *Ever Decreasing Circles*. And consider his astounding remark to this newspaper last Saturday: "There is little acting in farce."

It would be instructive to hear this master farceur's defence of that opinion, but on the available evidence it looks as though he has decided to put frivolity behind him and turn to serious work: such work, by definition, presenting issues of importance and keeping the jokes firmly in check.

Hence, presumably, the West End unveiling of Stanley Price's play, which would hardly have taken place but for the participation of Mr Briers as yet another dolefully peevish hero. This time he plays a civil engineer who is cast on the redundancy scrap-heap at the age of 50, and left to do the housework while his wife

pursues a flourishing career in marketing pizzas.

It is not a startlingly original idea, but it certainly offers a workable comic starting point. As Mr Price works it out, though, comedy has to watch its p's and q's, and never obstruct the important things he has to tell us: that unemployment is a painful experience, and there are not many jobs going for the middle-aged, and that marriages can suffer from this sort of thing.

Around his hero, Mr Price assembles a comprehensive anthology of "how-we-live-now" clichés. A mother-in-law dwells on the premises, forever shuffling in from her own flat to drive Mr Briers further round the twist with appeals for home decorating and human contact. His son, needless to say, is roaming the country with a rock group and puts in an appearance in drag. His builder neighbour, Arthur, economically couples racism with male chauvinism; and, to button things up, his wife's catering colleague (mercifully unseen) is evoked as a fire-eating feminist.

I liked Mr Price's previous play, *Moving*, and this piece too shows him to be a perfectly able craftsman. That, indeed, is the trouble. Feed anything into those capable crunchers, and out

comes the same workmanlike product. This does not matter in the case of a small, middle-class dilemma like moving house. It becomes insulting when the state of Britain's unemployed gets churned out for fodder for an amiable middle-brow night out. If this had been a farce, the result would have been a good deal less frivolous.

The prevailing mood of Robert Cretwyn's production is dejection. Mr Briers, growing visibly greyer throughout the evening, radiates defeat from his first entrance, and only escapes it in fantasies of his blighted jazz career, alcoholic readings of the Book of Job, and in an obligatory affair with the next-door wife (twice interrupted by unexpected arrivals). Wry smiles, simmering marital hostilities, long-suffering generation-gap sighs, emerge from the surrounding company, from which Diane Fletcher's businesslike wife alone is immune.

Within these limits, Liz Smith works wonders with the part of the mother-in-law, but even she finally has to turn into a wise old thing with sage memories of the Depression years. Bring back the dancing girls!

Irving Wardle

All change at the Angel

Sadler's Wells

This grand exercise in "community drama" employs a cast of 300 citizens of Islington to celebrate its rise from an extramural staging post to a famously boisterous Inner London borough. In dramatic terms there is the immediate problem that history has preferred to take place down the road, and much of the show's content seems barrel-scraping. When a young boy astride a hobbyhorse is blithely announced as "His Majesty King Charles the First" one questions the standard of historical research.

But the intention here is confessedly polemical rather than narrowly educative. Islington is personified by "Angel", daughter of the old Angel pub's landlord, who carries on to disadvantageous affair with "John", son of a City worthy. In the course of four centuries he repeatedly declines to make an honest woman of her and give his bastards his name. If I have got the rhetorical connections right, this seeks to show that, while the City historically has used Islington for purposes of recreation, it refuses to help the borough in its hours of need.

Islington's current predicament is distressingly familiar: the social services boom of the 1970s is due for the governmental axe, which will affect not only the old and the handicapped but also the young and hale whom these services employ. In an excruciating finale it is borne in on us that different social classes must stand together against the evil of rate-capping — John Wesley, Blake and S. T. Coleridge are adduced as examples of middle-class former residents — and we are urged not to be prejudiced against those who shop for suburgines in Chapel Market.

The production values are necessarily amateurish, though the standard of much of the singing and acting is higher than we have any right to expect. The children of Islington Green School make a spirited fist of their roles. The piece will undoubtedly fail in its ambition to soften Ministerial hearts but may well succeed in the lesser purpose of fostering a sense of community — within the theatre, for a few hours.

Martin Cropper

● The current production of *Hamlet*, *The First Quarto* at the Orange Tree, Richmond, was erroneously described on this page as being the first professional staging since 1949. In fact it was performed by the Citizens' Theatre, Glasgow, in 1981.

Rock

Roy Buchanan

Dominion

To the majority of rock enthusiasts, Roy Buchanan may be remembered as little more than an American guitarist who achieved one minor British chart success with a single called "Sweet Dreams" which reached number 40 in 1973. At present he does not have a British recording contract and has received so little attention of late that a representative of his former record company was not even aware that Buchanan had been signed to that label.

Yet this single appearance at London's Dominion attracted a disproportionate number of media and rock business personalities, drawn no doubt by his veteran session-player status and the highly individual quality of Buchanan's artistry. His style, though rooted in the blues, develops from the premise that an amplified guitar is capable of making a range of noises much wider than those gained by simply plucking individual strings or strumming chords.

His most frequent embellishments included a crude flamenco technique to conjure

David Sinclair

Ian Holm (right) tomorrow appears in a new film for the third week running: interview by Nicholas Shakespeare



A staunch supporter

It seems impossible to go to a British film now without seeing that little sung actor of excellence, and the voice of Hovis, Ian Holm. Last week he appeared as Ruth Ellis's former lover in *Dance with a Stranger*, the week before as the head of a clerical pool in *Brazil*, and he plays Stanley, the gin-loving village solicitor, in *Wetherby*, which opens tomorrow at the New Curzon.

"I want to see how far I can go in the film world", he says in a voice that rumbles up from the same deep well as Olivier's. In a 31-year career he has had a few turning points. If this month turns out to be one of them then Trevor Nunn — who still asks when the best verser in English is returning to the stage — might well have to wait.

Holm became an actor because he failed every exam at school. It was a dentist in Worthing who eventually started him off with an introduction to the local Shakespearean player Henry Baynton. In his beret and astrakhan collar, Baynton coached him for the RAD audition. "He had the rights to a play by an obscure writer called Israel Zangwill. It was an absurd piece to read and the principal, Sir Kenneth Barnes, was so astonished he let me in."

In 1954 Holm graduated to Stratford as a spear-carrier in *Othello*. The spear got bigger — at one point he was heaving a 15-foot metal banner — and so did the parts. An early speaking role was the Doge in Robeson's *Othello*. "Harold Hobson wrote a one-line review to the effect that *Othello* had opened in Stratford with Paul Robeson. He was asked why he didn't write more. The following week he gave his reasons. I was one of them. Never had he seen Shakespeare's language so mauled."

After playing "an awful lot of Pucks", which made him worried he would become the oldest elf in the business, Holm took on the mantle of King. His *Richard III* was spontaneously applauded by the cast. His *Henry V* won him the Evening Standard's Best Actor Award for 1954. Evidently his size — he is only 5ft 6in — did not matter. "It was only after I'd left the stage for the one medium where you'd think he wouldn't matter that I'd hear remarks like 'He's a great little actor, but he's a bit on the short side'."

Leaving the RSC, where after 13 years he was known as Stratford's Head Boy, he likens to leaving the womb. But he felt

it was the end of an era; and like David Warner and Peter Jeffery he had been approached by the cinema. "I didn't take to it easily. But after two years I became more interested in the moment than the two-hour performance."

Holm appeared in *The Fiver*, and then in *The Bofors Gun* for which he won an Academy Award for Best Supporting Actor. He won a similar award at Cannes for his performance as the trainer in Hugh Hudson's *Chariots of Fire* (after which Olivier wrote that he only realized who it was halfway through: until then he thought they had used a real trainer). He was the only actor from that film to work on Hudson's next — *Greyhound* — for which, again, he was nominated as Best Supporting Actor, although the film was hardly special. On the set it was noticed that, without patronizing or embarrassing them, he would make suggestions to other actors, even, sometimes, to the director. "Stratford training", he says, then confesses if he was to describe himself it would be as "an actor's actor — of that I'm prouder than any supporting role."

Holm admits both to a lack of ambition and to the fact that he has never taken on a part he did not wish to play. When Trevor Nunn sent a telegram about a play called *Travellers* and a once-in-a-lifetime role, he read Tom Stoppard's script. He thought it "overwritten and beyond belief" and sent a telegram back. "Dear Trevor", it read simply, "Poor Tom's a cold." In 1976, however, while playing Hickey in *The Iceman Cometh*, he cracked up. For six months he could not walk down the street or into a theatre. He has played once on stage since. "It's ridiculous for an actor not to do theatre. I will have to go back, or I might as well sell brushes. The irony is I wouldn't have any problems at all in doing what I wanted in the one area I'm frightened of."

His present roles on screen are all cameo parts, grey eminences like Desmond Cusden in *Dance with a Stranger* — "a very ordinary man with unbelievable passion under the surface". Their combined impact might finally exorcise the Best Supporting jinx and lead to parts as major as he once enjoyed on stage. "From this moment on, I don't want a lot more cinema. I don't want to be playing supporting roles for the rest of my life." He puts a fist against his smile. "But I might have to."

Opera

La traviata

Grand, Leeds

English audiences have had little chance to judge for themselves the work of the production team from Geneva of Francois Rochaix, his designer Jean-Claude Maret and his lighting designer Jean-Philippe Roy. Their Geneva *Turn of the Screw* and *Pelléas* we know by repute; their *Death in Venice* with Scottish Opera disappointed here simply because it was less physically portable than had been hoped. But now the time has come. Not for curiosity alone is it well worth catching their new *Traviata* for Opera North.

Perspective is all. The stately Corinthian columns of First Empire architecture form pros-

cenia for cool forms and colours of a production of near perfect proportion and harmony of ear and eye. On this stage, indeed, every prospect pleases and only man is vile. Man, for a change, not mankind. For it is no coincidence that Germont père is dressed in the identical stoneware of the elegant facade which stands, bastion-like, in the centre of Act II Scene 1. His entrances are framed by uprisings the only deviation from the right angle about him is the sinuous movement of his ceaselessly caressing, gloved hands. Jonathan Summers fleshes out the conception vocally and physically with extraordinary and entire conviction.

The movement, disorder and shifting perspectives of the maddening crowd are brilliantly stage-managed in Act I and their fleeting appearances, ghostly-grotesque, as carnival phantoms in Act III is a no less inspired touch. Violetta's struggle against their more diffuse but no less real oppression is all the more compelling simply because this is Helen Field's first Violetta. The fight she puts up in Act I, gritting teeth and fingers against the score as much as her fate, only serves to sharpen the edge of drama.

Her last scene is sung from her *chaise longue* with all the vulnerability of the dignity she has had to maintain in her role in society. And it is this moment which confirms just what her portrayal and, indeed, the musical direction of Rodrick Brydon is made of. He, after all, is the musical cornerstone of the Geneva team, and his understanding of the score's fusion of fragility, vitality and palpating presence is mastery.

If Adrian Martin's Alfredo must come last, it is more a reflection of his place in this production than of his accomplishment. His actions during the overture make it clear that the opera exists in Alfredo's memory. This and the extraordinary *coup de théâtre* where, for once in Act II, he turns and finds himself immediately back in his father's arms provide his just place. Where at the end will Alfredo be? Martin, his hysteria packed within his tight tenor, manages to make us at least want to ask the question.

Hilary Finch

Television

Mistaking superficiality for science

Q.E.D. returned to BBC1 last night with an early warning that its programme, *The Science of Sexual Attraction*, had images, words and ideas "that may offend some viewers", not so much a caution perhaps as a catch-all for the easily stimulated. There was not much science in any meaningful sense in what followed though there were numerous references to scientists. Those who did appear were mainly American, one of them an "olfactory scientist" whose nose was to the grindstone of the perfume business.

The art critic and historian Brian Sewell made an aesthetic intrusion to declaim on Ruben-

sian women who are, of course, large, languid, carelessly unclothed and not really in fashion; and there was a brief diversion, for padding I thought, with a lady who specializes in photographing men's behinds. For the rest it was bits of this psychologist and that psychologist with a coy narration by Eleanor Bron and John Fortune.

Q.E.D., it seems, mistakes superficiality for popular science. When a scientist did appear no one asked a question. So the psychologist Dr Glenn Wilson was left to pronounce that women's bodies were the result of millennia of lusty men and to maintain that, if men

Concerts

BBCSO/Boulez

BBC Maida Vale

Only a few weeks after its Stockhausen festival the BBC took another dive into the heady years of the avant garde on Tuesday in reviving Boulez's *Figures Doubles-Prismes* with the composer conducting the work at the start of the sixtieth birthday programme to be broadcast later this month. It was an exciting occasion.

Begun in 1957, but extended in 1964 and again in 1968, *Figures* was Boulez's first purely orchestral work and it conveys the feeling of joyful adventuring on new and large resources.

Apparently he had not performed it for more than a decade and contact with the score has characteristically prompted him to speak of revision, but one must hope its bounding energy will not be too much qualified.

Like many other pieces written in the wake of Stockhausen's *Gruppen*, *Figures* redines the geography of the orchestra, though more in the

interests of sonority than of spatial effect. Strings, woodwind and brass are each divided into four groups spaced about the platform, the whole ensemble being sliced by three harps and sundry percussion.

From such a massed Boulez is able to obtain new sounds in the large, static chords which slowly billow with changes of balance, and also in the dynamic charges which sweep across the orchestra carrying a fission of tuned percussion and disappear.

The dialogue between suspense and motion was to be repeated in *Eclat* and *Figures* has harmonies out of *Pli selon pli*, but the profile of the work is unique: it has a vigour rooted in the timpani, rather than in the metallic scintillations of Boulez's more normal orchestral style. It also takes an unusual course in the portion added in 1968, where it seems to want to become Berg's Violin Concerto.

There is a long passage woven around continuous violin melody, sometimes thinning down to a soloist, sometimes rippling through many interpenetrating lines with support from the rest of the orchestra. Then, with a rampant quick march through the whole ensemble, this marvellous work is over.

The other two pieces in the concert represented the Boulez of the 1970s. *Cummings Ist der Dichter* has always seemed the ugly duckling of his output: too heavy for a e.e.cummings, whose words are pored over by chamber chorus and small orchestra, and too light to stand by itself. *Rituel* however is already a monument in his work, if a strange one: a Rothko in a gallery of Klees.

Paul Griffiths

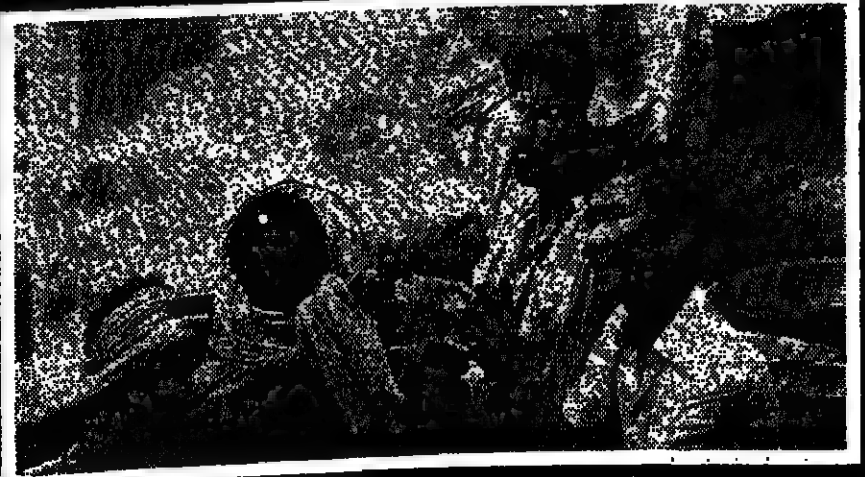
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Dow waits for Volcker

New York (AP-Dow Jones) -

Shares were slowly recovering in active dealings yesterday. But in early trading they were still down on the day.

The Dow Jones industrial average was down 1.21 point to 1,290.64, compared with an early drop of nearly four points. Declines were about 7-to-6 over advances.

Mr Keith S. Hertel, vice-president for institutional block trades at Drexel Burnham Lambert, said: "The bond market is not too exciting while people are sitting back to see what the chairman of Federal Reserve Board, Mr Paul Volcker, has to say."

Mr Hertel said: The institutions are active in a real tug of war. They are both selling and buying with the buyers concerned about moving into quality stocks that promise earnings growth. They want the top companies in each group."

Schering-Plough fell 2 1/2 to 38 1/2 after First Boston analyst Mr Ronald Stern, put out a sell recommendation reportedly because a competitor, Hoffman-La Roche, filed a patent for Alpha Interferon. This indication of strong competition for Alpha Interferon, a key product for Schering, took the "sizzle" out of the stock.

International Business Machines was down 1/4 at 134 1/2. General Motors up 1/4 at 63 1/2. Telephones down 1/4 at 26 1/2. Texas Instruments down 1/4 to 107 1/2. Merck up 1/4 to 99 1/2. McDonnell Douglas down 1/4 to 82.

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STOCK MARKET REPORT

Good news on profits brings sparkle to equity prices

By Pam Spooner

Stock markets came to life yesterday as the week's succession of good trading news - with the exception of Royal Insurance - brought heart to investors.

Having seen improved profitability at National Westminster Bank and Unilever, better than expected results at Midland Bank also helped confidence in equities. Investors too looked forward to today's news from British Petroleum: the market always likes the sound of profits in the billion category, and BP was cheerfully expected to produce £1300 million of profits.

Top-30 shares showed plenty of life, with the index rising 8.4

past two days London brokers have seen US investors picking up stock.

Jaguar reports its full year figures in the next account, and City men now expect the 1984 total to come out around £95 million forecast at the time of last August's market flotation.

For 1985, brokers are looking for as much as £130 million, as long as the exchange rate situations does not alter too rapidly.

GEC has been giving more of its cash mountain back to shareholders. It announced that on Tuesday £17.7 million was paid buying in 9 million of its own shares at 197p each.

Three months ago it bought in 40 million shares at 228p each costing just over £90 million.

The difference between the two buying prices was that the first was aggressive, the second merely an offer to take shares from shareholders who wished to sell.

The price closed unchanged last night at 198p and although the offer was still open, there were few takers yesterday. The decision on whether GEC is a buyer of shares will be taken daily.

Royal Bank of Scotland added 8p to 260p on news that Charterhouse Japhet Credit, part of its new investment bank subsidiary, is buying Henlys Lease from the Middeps, the Canadian investment vehicle of Mr Michael Ashcroft and Mr David Wickins. Charterhouse paid £1.5 million cash. At the end of last December, Henlys leasing business had a hire fleet with a written down value of £9.76 million. In the 15 months to December 1984, pre-tax profits of Henlys leave came out at £648,000.

Market interest in Unigate is reviving after last week's move by Mr Chris Ball from his post as managing director of the dairy holdings subsidiary. Investors see the shares as worth a gamble: the change in management might be good, or bad news, and the "punters" are looking for the former. The shares rose 5p to 148p. Bid speculation also stays with Unigate.

Market interest in a rumoured buyer of a large chunk of Royal Bank stock remains high. The shares, available following the recent rights issue, are reckoned to have gone to two buyers through Laing & Crutchfield, the stockbroker.

City men suggest that Lloyds Bank, despite its understanding with the Department of Trade on reducing its stake in Royal, has picked up some of the stock. And there are also hopes that

Hong Kong & Shanghai Bank, which bid for Royal three years ago, is back on the scene.

Share prices in the print, paper and packaging sector jumped ahead yesterday as a round of good news got the sector bubbling. Buzzi shares gained 15p to 468p as City optimism about the group continued: news of reorganization of its merchandising division helped the price. Mr Peter Large, analyst at Wood Mackenzie, the stockbroker, reckons the Buzzi price could reach £6 by the end of the year.

Bowater Industries was also on the move, the shares rising 19p to 265p as analysts look

Applied Computer Techniques gave City analysts good news at their presentation. ACT is bringing out two new computers aimed at the top end of the micro market. The two machines, with doubled memory capacity compared with ACT's present products, will sell at about £3,995 and £4,495. ACT also has margins are showing slight improvement. Quilter Goodison, the stockbroker, forecasts profits of £10.5 million for the year to the end of this month, and £18 million for 1985-86.

forward to full year figures due later this month. Although the market expects the 1984 figures to be dampened by last year's reorganization - the split of the United Kingdom and US companies - there is plenty of optimism for the future. At James Capel the stockbroker, profit forecasts are for around £36 million for 1984 and over £50 million for the current year.

Reed International rose 16p to 562p following the group's announcement of plans to sell the decorative products division. Investors like more and more the new strategy at Reed of concentrating on a core of businesses.

DRG, which has long been surrounded by takeover speculation, continues to enjoy recent profits news from its Canadian and Australian subsidiaries. Yesterday the shares rose 2p to 170p, and there were also gains of a few pence for British Printing & Communication Corp., and McCormac.

News that Servis Domestic Appliances has gone into receivership sent the share prices of Centway Industries and Centway Trust falling. CI shares sank 7p to 10p and CT were down 5p to 70p.

Servis shares themselves can be traded under Rule 535 (2), a form of over the counter quote, and jobbers were pricing them at 0-2p. Servis price has been falling steadily in recent weeks, although even at their peak the shares only reached 28p.

On the foods pitches, Northern Foods moved ahead again, rising 8p to 232p. Institutional investors have grown keen on the stock, whether because of renewed takeover talk or not remains unclear. The arrival of Mr Chris Ball from his post as managing director at Northern appears to have spurred some buying.

Hillside Holdings, which reports results, regained 6p of recent falls to go to 66p.

Blagden in £25m steel takeover

By Jeremy Warner

Blagden Industries is to buy the European steel drummaking interests of its largest shareholder, City Investing company of New York, in a move that will more than double the company's size.

The acquisition, costing about £25.75 million, will make Blagden into the second largest steel drum manufacturer in Europe.

City Investing also disposed of its existing 34 per cent shareholding in Blagden yesterday.

The shares were placed with industrial investors at p each by N M Rothschild & Sons.

Blagden's acquisition is being financed mainly through an ambitious and novel offering of shares by N M Rothschild. The company is also paying more than £9 million in cash.

Nearly 15 million shares are to be offered for sale at a minimum tender price of 112p. About 9 million of these are being reserved for allocation at the minimum price.

Half of the 9 million are also being reserved on a preferential basis for existing Blagden shareholders who, as a result, will be guaranteed at least three shares for every 10 they hold at 112p each.

City Investing will get five-sixths of any premium achieved on the shares that go to tender and Blagden will get the rest. Blagden said that it would probably have to pay City Investing for the European companies had it not agreed to hand over the fruits of any premium.

The scheme was criticized by some analysts for being excessively complex but Rothschild said it has significant advantages over a traditional vendor placing or offer for sale.

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Roses, roses all the way for BTR

Sir Owen Green, chairman of BTR, took time out from his pursuit of Dunlop to unveil a sparkling set of preliminary results yesterday which left no doubt about the quality of his company's performance.

Pre-tax profits soared from £171 million to £284 million and although the comparatives are distorted because of the Tilling acquisition's consolidation for only six months in 1983, the underlying improvement still stands up to the most severe of questioning.

The group achieved record results in every business segment and every region. The bulk of the improvement was generated by the Tilling acquisition but it is the manner in which this has been achieved which is more impressive. It has not been a simple case of adding figures together but of making genuine improvements in margins through effective management of overheads and product mix.

The benefit from Tilling is certainly not just a one off. BTR still believes there are further savings to come and the key will once again be attention to margins. In many of its business sectors BTR had very little to show by way of volume growth last year but by concentrating on the bottom line it was still able to produce substantial profits growth.

The construction division doubled its profits and the energy and electrical division almost did the same. With the industrial and consumer-related products division turning in profit increases of about 30 per cent and the financial services activities also doing well it added up to a genuine all-round improvement.

The resulting effect on gearing has also been quite

dramatic. Borrowings fell by £50 million to £450 million but gearing was down from 86 per cent to 63 per cent. There is little doubt that if BTR did win control of Dunlop then the balance sheet could take the strain without any undue difficulty.

The only question mark over the results is the decision to make currency translations at the year end rather than taking average exchange rates. This boosted profits by £19 million. Even without this however, the results were still pretty solid.

The shares closed up 20p at 664p and with profits of £330 million in sight for 1985, the rating might appear a little demanding. That said, the long-term prospects for BTR are very good; should it acquire Dunlop they will become even better.

Midland Bank

At £135 million, Midland's pre-tax profits were better than expected. Likewise, the free capital ratio of 4.4 per cent (4.1 per cent). Despite the tiny cover of 1.1, the dividend is maintained at 25.5p. But the market was unimpressed. After the initial mark-up of 10p to 369p, the bears came out in force, and the shares dropped 22p to 347p.

Almost every item in the group's profit and loss statement contains a controversial element. Crocker losses contain £134 million of property disposal profits. Adding back that figure means that Crocker losses nearly equal profits elsewhere in Midland at £357 million.

At £160 million, the tax bill is £25 million above the pretax figure because Crocker losses cannot be grouped against other profits. Extraordinary

items of £17 million illustrate the savage internal surgery within the bank - witness elsewhere the static salary bill and declining workforce. The impact of last year's Finance Act on the leasing business shows through in the £230 million debit to reserves.

Yet if Crocker's problems have savaged the bank, Crocker's figures also indicate a way back. Adjusted Crocker profits last year were about £100 million. Hence a cash flow base exists to service the loan portfolio. A rights issue now sounds unlikely, and Midland is willing to sell assets and trade investments as well as raise fresh loan capital, to keep its ratios in line. Nearly all other parts of the business performed well. British business profits rose by more than a third.

Successful innovation is the common theme underlying the commentary on 1984. New savings products have done well in the market place and, the international division has been overhauled and forged ahead last year.

Although woolly minds in California may have been responsible for Crocker's losses, some able brains in the City have obviously toiled over both the group and the figures. The accounting is in past creative and the road block may be both longer than it is made to appear. But the market is taking a more relaxed view of Midland's future and the shares are stating to outperform.

General Accident
General Accident's 1984 figures are, if anything more than Royal's two days ago. The company was expected more or less to match Royal's £11

million pretax profit. It announced a mere £3.9 million profit compared with last year's £65.6 million.

The market, nervous of composites' figures, marked General Accident's shares down about 15p from an opening price of 543p. The stoicism typical of the sector then reasserted itself and the price returned to 540p. A 12p final dividend making 20p against 19p helped.

Total underwriting losses grew from £150.2 million to £268.3 million. General Accident's chief disaster area was its large motor account which was mainly responsible for increasing the fourth quarter British underwriting loss by £10.3 million to £25.3 million and the full year loss by £14.9 million to £72.4 million.

In the US, where 45 per cent of the company's business is in motor lines, the underwriting loss jumped from £56.3 million to £136.1 million, a figure to which large commercial insurance losses contributed.

General Accident regards the sudden escalation in motor claims as a freak event and sees no reason to raise motor rates for the moment. They have remained static for the last 18 months. The company expects no significant improvement in its British business until 1986, though some progress in the US may be seen before then.

On the credit side, General Accident has added around £250 million to its net asset value, giving a total of 828p per share. Its combined ratio, at 117, is roughly the industry average and its solvency margin is an impressive 82 per cent. The company's underlying solidity shows little sign of crumbling.

Midland Bank

A year of contrasting performance; good results from Midland's UK and international operations offset by Crocker losses.

Comments by the Chairman, Sir Donald Barron

Midland Group's results for 1984 were, as previously announced, substantially affected by Crocker's losses. These losses resulted from the writing-off of loans made in earlier years which had deteriorated subsequently, largely because of changed economic conditions in California, and from the creation of additional provisions for possible future loan losses. The performance of the Group other than Crocker was very satisfactory. These operations increased their profit contribution by £115m (48%) and several sectors achieved record results. Strong profits growth was achieved by all the constituents of the Group's UK Business Sector. Growth in costs was well contained throughout the sector and there were further increases in commission and other non-interest income. Samuel Montagu's profits were lower than in 1983 but there was a substantially improved performance by the Group's international businesses, which benefited significantly from the higher earnings of the European subsidiaries and from the elimination of losses in the Group's international trade operations.

Bad debt provisions
Pre-tax profit is struck after making provisions for bad and doubtful debts of £516m compared to £318m last year of which Crocker accounts for £456m against £120m in 1983. The current year's charge includes £471m for specific provisions and £145m for general provisions, compared with £228m and £90m respectively for 1983.

Free capital ratio
Successful group asset and liability management was reflected in an end-year free capital ratio of 4.4% only slightly lower than the figure of 4.6% at the end of 1983. The ratio was significantly affected by the decision of the UK Government in the Finance Act, 1984 to alter the system of tax allowances for fixed asset expenditure. This change necessitated a further provision for deferred taxation and other liabilities which reduced shareholders' funds by £230m; in comparable terms the 1983 ratio would have been 4.1%.

Investment expenditure
The Group made further substantial capital expenditure during the year. We have continued to develop the MDNET voice and data telecommunications network and have invested heavily in our branch operating systems and, more visibly, in additional

autobank machines. We shall continue to make further substantial expenditure over the next few years to ensure that we remain fully competitive in these important areas of technology and service.

The international debt problem
The strength of the US dollar and the high level of dollar interest rates have increased the debt servicing burden of the less developed countries. Nevertheless, over the past two years the key debtor countries have made substantial progress in external payments adjustment.

The rescheduling process itself has taken a new turn with the multi-year agreement with Mexico, which extended maturities over fourteen years. This has become a benchmark for other negotiations and, though not without cost to banks, should help to defuse the 'crisis' atmosphere surrounding rescheduling.

Group strategy
Our Group strategy has as its basis four major objectives:
- To rehabilitate Crocker as rapidly as possible. We believe that our proposal to acquire 100% of the Common Stock and to bring Crocker within the Midland Group's structure and operations is the best way of achieving this.
- To continue to develop a strong international operation serving our wide range of customers - financial, industrial, commercial, governmental and personal - around the world.
- To continue to have a strong position in the UK banking market, meeting the challenges of marketing and developing new products and services by adapting our traditional

skills to the new opportunities presented by technological change.

- To enter with commitment the new capital markets developing as a result of the deregulation of the traditional London securities markets. We will combine the expertise of Midland's treasury and banking operations with the special skills of Samuel Montagu and W. Greenwell & Co, the well known firm of stockbrokers to provide a range of services and products for our national and international markets.

Dividend maintained
The directors have declared an unchanged dividend of 14.5p per share. The total dividend paid for 1984 will amount to 25.5p per share, the same as for 1983. The dividends are covered 1.1 times by earnings.

People
In a difficult year much has been achieved, within the Group on many different fronts reflecting the skills and enthusiasm of our staff in meeting the challenges of a highly competitive and rapidly changing market place. Loyalty and commitment in the face of contrasting fortunes are qualities which carry a great business through the bad times as well as good and I would like to record the thanks of the Board to all our staff around the world for their efforts throughout the year.

Outlook
The results of 1984 for the Group other than Crocker give confidence that these operations will continue to contribute substantial profits. With 100% ownership Crocker should also, in due course, make a healthy contribution to Group profits.

Results in brief	1984 £m	1983 £m
Profit before taxation		
Group excluding Crocker	357	342
Crocker	(222)	(17)
Group profit before taxation	135	225
Attributable profit	45	114
Earnings per share	27.1p	60.6p
Dividends per share	25.5p	25.5p
Total assets	£51,483m	£52,613m

The Report and Accounts for 1984, including the full Statement by the Chairman, Sir Donald Barron, will be available after 2nd April 1985. Stockholders will receive copies automatically. Others are invited to write to: The Secretary, Midland Bank plc, Head Office, Poultry, London EC2P 2BX



Midland Bank Group

Traded option highlights

Traded options business lagged behind in the excitement in the main market as total volume reached just 6,528 contracts, most of which were calls.

The stock market index contract proved most popular: 1,364 contracts were traded, 799 of them calls. British Telecom contracts came second in the volume stakes - 877 contracts

were traded - and GEC and Jaguar options totalled just over 600 each.

Barclays Bank options saw some of the biggest price changes as market men prepare for Friday's results, and the possibility of the much-feared rights issue. May call contracts fell by around 13p, while May 650s gained 13p.

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Football: Britain's premier club put to the test on another important night in European competitions

Early goal has champions struggling to keep a grip

From Clive White, Vienna

FK Austria.....1
Liverpool.....1

Liverpool, soaking up pressure as we have seen them do so often before in Europe, moved deliberately if not with great style towards the last four in the European Cup when a goal five minutes from time from Nicol in the Hanappi Stadium here last night left them with nothing to pull back two weeks from now in the second leg at Anfield.

It was not the most auspicious start by the European champions, a goal down in 22 minutes having had two players, Whelan and MacDonald (in his first European game), already booked.

Liverpool's main problem until then had seemed to be in attack where they looked painfully hollow without Dalglish and lacking invention and purpose. Not that the defence were their normal solid selves.

The fast-breaking Austrian forwards worried them from the start, ably supported by their ammunition, supplied by Nyilasi, the lavishly talented Hungarian. But with the aid of Offside, Liverpool had kept them just about in check.

The English team knew they were up against it from the start when Bogdan Dotschew, the Bulgarian referee, cautioned Whelan in the sixth minute for dissent while Rush sat on the floor following a hearty "welcome" tackle by Tuermer, the only non-international in the Austrian side.

The eager Steinkogler whetted the appetite of a hungry crowd by striking the back of the Liverpool net after just eight minutes. The crowd knew well that the linesman flag was up but they celebrated it anyway.

This and a well hit shot by Baumeister from more than 20 yards which thudded against the chest of Grobbelaar were real warnings. Lawrensen's head, streaked grey during his recent

absence from the team, got an important touch to a cross by Polster while Nyilasi waited in anticipation for any scrap that might fall his way, and then in the 22nd minute F K Austria took the lead with a vengeance when Polster, receiving the ball from Mustedanagic, unleashed a rasping left foot drive from 25 yards which hurtled past Grobbelaar's despairing dive.

Neal tried manfully to compensate for the absence of Dalglish in attack, lending support at every available opportunity. The Scotsman's deputy, Walsh, was not found wanting but the No 9 shirt at Liverpool is a big one to fill.

Encouraged by the ease with which he went around the left back in the first few minutes, Walsh changed wings to test the other side. One or two winding runs silenced an admiring home crowd and if they did not lead to any positive conclusion it at least kept possession from the Austrians for a while.

Liverpool began to bring their extensive experience to bear in the second half and Rush, Walsh and Neal each took a strike at the opposition's goal. But the Austrians remained a threat on the counter-attack and twice Steinkogler was put into promising positions but failed to take advantage.

F K AUSTRIA: F Koncinski, H Dhanich, E Obermayer, E Tuermer, J Degeorgis, Z Mustedanagic, H Prohaska, E Baumeister, A Polster, N Nyilasi, G Steinkogler. LIVERPOOL: B Grobbelaar, P Neal, M Lawrensen, A Hansen, A Kennedy, S Nicol, R Whelan, K MacDonald, J Walsh, P Walsh, J Rush.

Referee: B Dotschew (Bulgaria).

●Northampton Town are releasing Trevor Lee, a midfield player, on forward, whom has played 32 first-team games this season. He was signed for Northampton last summer.

The Chesterfield full back, Garry Bellamy, was yesterday ruled out for the rest of the season with a chronic pelvic strain, sustained at Swindon in New Year's Day.



Whelan (left) and MacDonald: booked in a turbulent opening to Liverpool's match in Vienna

Germans seek answer to Berlin question

Bonn (Reuters) - Hermann Neuburger of the West German Federation (DFB) said he was still confident that West Germany would stage the 1988 European championship. The DFB have come under political pressure since UEFA's organizing committee recommended that West Germany stage the championship but that West Berlin should not be one of the venues.

Chancellor Helmut Kohl and his government have made it clear they expect the DFB to give up the championship if West Berlin is not reinstated. But Neuburger told Reuters he expected UEFA's executive committee to endorse the application when it meets in Lisbon to make the final decision on March 15.

Neuburger had said earlier he feared the political furor might make UEFA give the championship to England, the organizing body's second choice at hosts, but on Tuesday he said: "I do not believe UEFA will take the championship away from West Germany. It is still possible that we can get West Berlin back in but it will be difficult. We will speak openly to UEFA again about the Berlin question."

The European championship finals in France last June made a profit of about £5 million, the European Football Union (UEFA) said yesterday. Total income was £2.87 million Swiss francs (about £7.3 million). Expenses amounted to £5.2 million (about £2.4 million), leaving a profit of £1.35 million.

Ticket sales brought in 12.95 million francs (about £4.2 million) from which the two finalists will each get 10 per cent. Television rights and publicity realized 9.75 million francs (about £3.1 million) with a share-out of 10 per cent to the French organizers, 10 per cent to UEFA.

●Flamengo are to make a \$3 million offer to Udinese for their former forward, Zico, according to reports in the Rio de Janeiro press (APrepost). According to D Globo, the Flamengo president, George Hotel, has reached an agreement with a pool of Brazilian and multinational companies to put up 12 billion cruzeiros, or about £3 million, to buy Zico, in exchange for exclusive promotional rights.

Zico, who arrived in Rio on Monday to celebrate his 32nd birthday with relatives, admitted he hoped to transfer to Flamengo but said four European clubs also are interested in his acquisition. "My desire, is to go back to Flamengo, but I need a commitment soon," he said.

●The International Football Federation (FIFA) has expelled Iran from the Asian qualifying rounds of the 1986 World Cup (reuter reports). Iran and Iraq, who have been at war since 1980, and Lebanon had been asked to play home matches on neutral ground. Iraq and Lebanon have accepted FIFA's ruling, but Iran, who were drawn in an Asian sub-group with Bahrain and South Yemen, have refused it.

Clements delighted by his return to Manchester City

Oldham Athletic's defender, Kenny Clements, has rejoined Manchester City on loan until the end of the season.

City agreed terms with Oldham yesterday for the 29-year-old player, who left Maine Road to join Oldham for £200,000 in 1978. He will make his reappearance for City against Middlesbrough at Maine Road on Saturday.

Clements said: "Coming back to my former club is like a dream come true. I never wanted to leave in the first place, but was forced out because Malcolm Allison didn't want to know me."

The signing could release Andy May or Nicky Reid into midfield, with Clements occupying the right back or central defensive position.

Clements' parting gesture was to help Oldham to a 1-0 win at Birmingham on Tuesday night, a result that strengthened Manchester City's place at the top of the second division.

Graham Baker starts a two-match suspension on Saturday and his spell of inactivity could stretch further because he dislocated his shoulder against Blackburn Rovers last Saturday.

Tommy Docherry, the Wolverhampton Wanderers manager, revealed yesterday

that he had turned down a £160,000 offer for his teenage goalkeeper, Tim Flowers.

Flowers, 18, is one of the most promising goalkeepers in the League, is known to have attracted the interest of Manchester United and Everton. Docherry, who refused to name the club involved said: "I have told them there is nothing doing."

Mc added: "Flowers is not for sale and even if he were the bid is not big enough. We have got to keep our best players like him otherwise we are wasting our time being here."

The sale of Flowers would considerably ease the current financial problems of the club.

Wolverhampton, who have not scored in their past five matches, are hoping to sign on loan the Derby forward, Steve Biggins, who is expected to go straight into the side at Crystal Palace on Saturday.

Stoke City have signed goalkeeper Barry Siddall on a free transfer from their fourth division neighbours, Port Vale. Siddall has spent the previous month on loan to the first division club. He was previously with Bolton and Sunderland and has spent periods on loan with Darlington and Blackpool.

Biley's transfer to Brighton held up

The proposed transfer of Alan Biley from Portsmouth to Brighton has run into money problems. Biley has agreed to move to Brighton manager, Chris Cattlin, yesterday, but left the Goldstone Ground without being able to agree personal terms.

Biley is also wanted by Stoke City, and the clubs have agreed an exchange deal which would take Keith Bertchins to Fratton Park. But that move has been held up because Biley, 28, and Portsmouth's leading scorer with 13 goals, has not been offered the money he requires to leave the club.

The Portsmouth manager, Alan Bell, said: "It's all up to Biley. If he can get the money he wants then he

can go. He scores goals regularly, and he is not the sort of player a manager wants to sell, but he has asked to go and we have agreed his request. Brighton have made him an offer and we have left it to him to sort it out."

Gary Stanley is keeping Crystal Palace waiting after Portsmouth have agreed to allow him to move to the London club without a fee being involved. Stanley has also been unable to agree personal terms with the Palace manager, Steve Coppell.

The Gillingham midfielder, John Leslie, has had an operation on a torn knee ligament and will be out of action for at least five weeks. He injured his knee at Bradford last Saturday.



Biley: unable to agree terms

NON-LEAGUE TABLES

SOUTHERN LEAGUE								NW COUNTRY LEAGUE								
Premier division								First division								
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Carnarvon T	22	13	5	5	43	34	44	2	Leak Town	15	8	5	2	28	19	27
Widener	24	12	7	5	40	31	41	3	Gurzon	14	7	6	3	25	22	26
Kyle & Lynn	21	12	6	5	47	31	41	4	Geelong C	13	7	5	4	26	21	26
Portadown	20	11	6	5	44	30	41	5	Geelong S	12	6	5	5	24	22	25
Welling United	23	12	5	5	31	20	41	6	Blackburn	20	12	4	4	31	23	28
Blackburn	22	11	6	5	38	27	41	7	Blackburn	19	11	5	3	28	20	26
Chesham	21	11	6	4	39	26	41	8	Eastwood	18	10	4	4	31	23	28
Chesham	20	12	1	4	42	20	37	9	Haywards	17	9	4	4	31	23	28
St Southampton	19	11	3	5	36	28	36	10	Penrith	16	8	5	3	24	21	25
Richmond	18	11	3	5	36	28	36	11	Penrith	15	11	3	4	41	28	43
Graysville	20	9	6	5	34	27	35	12	Penrith	14	7	7	7	33	26	31
Farahurst	19	8	6	5	34	27	35	13	Glossop	13	7	7	7	33	26	31
Winney Town	21	8	7	7	34	31	35	14	Glossop	12	6	7	7	33	26	31
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Bedworth	27	4	1	1	14	22	26	19	Bedworth	7	4	6	1	19	19	22
Tunstall	28	3	1	1	10	27	21	20	Bedworth	6	3	5	2	18	18	21
AP Leamington	22	1	1	1	10	18	18	21	Penrith	5	3	3	2	15	14	18

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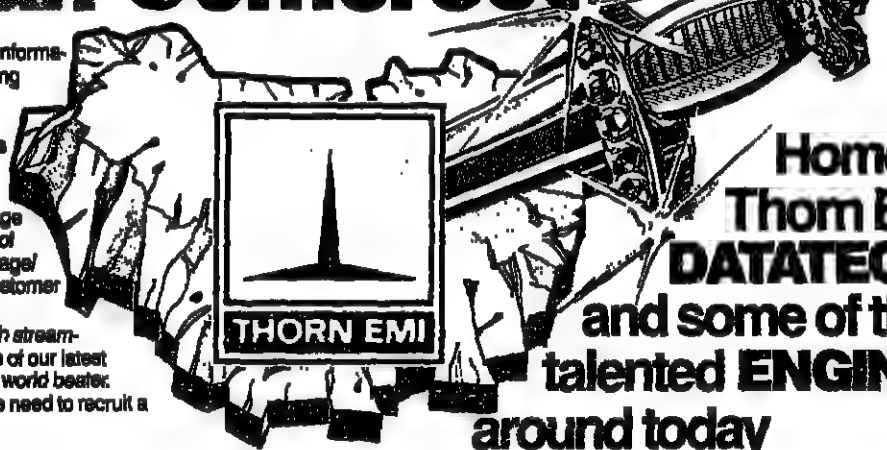
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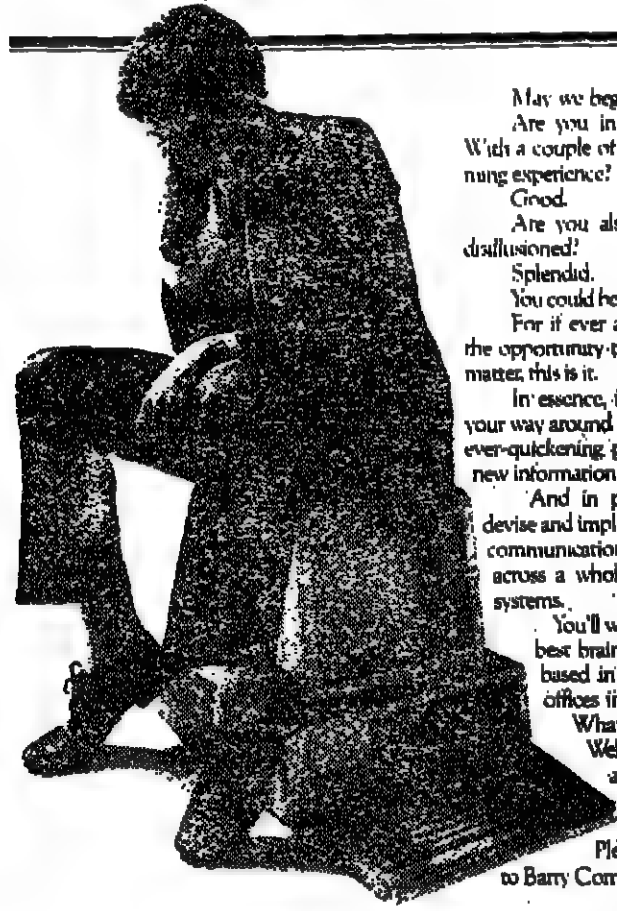
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Corinne Julius looks at opportunities in the voluntary sector

more readily outside the sector are required.

Within the voluntary sector there is considerable disagreement about what a charity should be. The public often believe voluntary organizations to be inefficient, poorly run institutions, staffed by second-raters, who would not make it in commerce, with a fair sprinkling of ex-armed service types and bossy ladies with blue rinses.

Working in this sector is not a soft option. Most charities operate in a very committed environment, staff are expected to work hard, usually harder than in the commercial world. The hours are frequently anti-social, without overtime pay. Back-up resources are limited, so every employee has to cover a wide range of skills and undertake more tasks than in other employment sectors.

Not infrequently staff feel rather isolated. Fortunately job satisfaction is often very great.

Generally pay rates in voluntary organizations fall below that in commerce or local government. Many charities feel they cannot afford to pay "commercial salaries".

Grants may be tied to government or local government policy and some may be for specific projects in which donors do not wish money to be spent on "overheads". The NCVO advises that people should be paid reasonable salaries, i.e. a fair rate for the job.

Some charities believe it is unethical for staff to draw large salaries as this reduces identification with their "clients". For example, Oxfam, which raises £19 million a year, and employs 700 staff and more than 2,000 volunteers, has a policy of paying staff at 10 per cent below the market rate.

Organizations' policies can have difficult consequences, as we saw on West Island last year.

Some organizations attempt to link junior and middle-ranking staff to local government pay scales, particularly where there is frequent contact with a local government counterpart.

Senior staff and directors are more likely to have their salaries determined individually. Most voluntary organizations do not have the funds to pay comparable rates, and they are also unable to offer the benefit packages available in local government and private business although many of the smaller charities employing six or seven staff compare favourably with small businesses of similar size.

Pensions are rarely a priority for voluntary organizations. Holidays are based roughly on the four to six weeks given in the public sector. But the pressure of work in most organiza-

tions is so great that long holidays are not really possible.

Voluntary organizations are usually run by management committees, sometimes composed of the individuals responsible for founding them but often by people with no detailed knowledge or experience of the area in which the organizations work. Often personalities play an undue part in staff management relations and politics rears its ugly head.

Management committees are frequently unaware of the professionalism required of staff and are afraid of efficiency. The tradition of voluntary managers and voluntary workers results in an ambivalence towards paying salaries which reflect market rates and can lead to conflict.

There is general recognition, highlighted in the IDS report *Pay in Charities and the Voluntary Organizations*, that voluntary organizations must attract mid-career professionals of a higher calibre from the commercial and public sectors.

At present high-level managers tend to be recruited outside the sector either on early retirement or on secondment. The belief remains, particularly in the Shires, that someone from the forces will have the right sort of background for charitable work.

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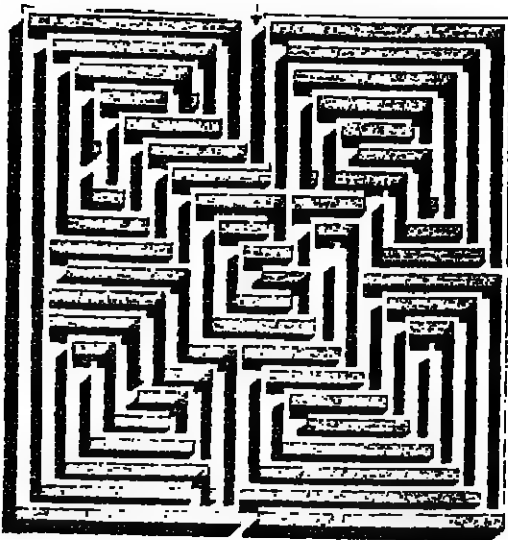
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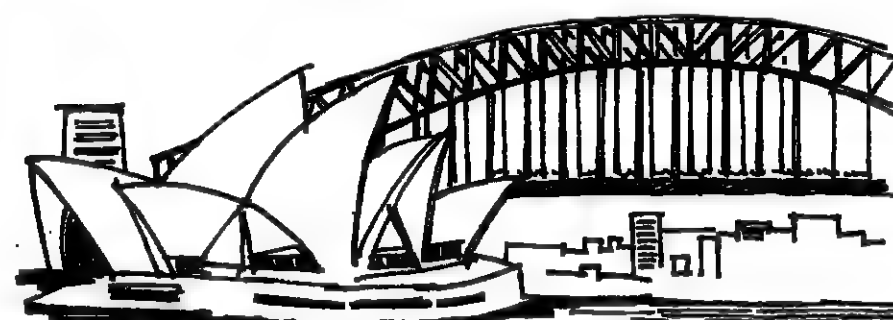
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COMPANY MEETING NOTICES

ROBECO

ROBECO 1984 ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

is to be held on Thursday, 28th March 1985, at the Hilton Hotel, Wembley, at 10.00.

AGENDA

1. Opening.

2. To approve and adopt the Report of the Managing Director and the Board of Directors for the year 1984.

3. To receive and adopt the Annual Accounts for the financial year 1984.

4. To determine the appropriation of the profit.

5. To elect the Board of Supervisory Directors.

6. Mr. H. P. Smith will resign having reached retirement age. It will be proposed to elect Mr. J. H. Jones to fill the vacancy.

7. To appoint Messrs. J. H. Jones and P. M. W. Roberts as Supervisory Directors.

8. Any other business.

Copies of the full agenda and of the Annual Report for 1984 can be obtained from National Westminster Bank plc, 100 Old Broad Street, London EC2M 1JL.

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Today's television and radio programmes

Summaries by Peter Dear and Peter Davale

BBC 1

- 6.00 **Cee-fax AM**. News headlines, weather, traffic and sports bulletins. Also available to viewers with television sets without the teletext facility.
- 6.50 **Breakfast Time** with Frank Bough and Selina Scott. Weather at 6.55, 7.25, 7.55, 8.25 and 8.55; regional news, weather and traffic at 6.57, 7.27, 7.57 and 8.27; national and international news at 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 and 9.00; sport at 7.20, 7.45 and 8.20; a review of the morning newspapers at 8.37. Plus Zoe Brown's teenage view of the world; Glynn Christian with a recipe; Richard Smith's phone-in clinic; and Heather Cooper describing the night sky in March.
- 8.20 **Cee-fax**. 10.30 **Play School**, presented by Brian Jameson (7.10.50 Cee-fax).
- 12.30 **News After Noon** with Moira Stuart and Frances Colvile. The weather prospects come from Ian McCaikill. 12.57 **Regional 1** (London and SE only). Financial report followed by news headlines with subtitles.
- 1.00 **Pebble Mill at One** includes the first in a new series on the problems of everyday life discussed by the Rev Roger Royle. Gill Eynon reports on his progress with the renovation of Pebble Mill's semi - in Solihull; and a song from Hazel Dean. 1.45 **Baggage**. A See-Saw programme for the very young.
- 2.00 **The Afternoon Show** presented by Barbara Dickson and Penny Juno. There are items on caravans, cancer, toasting or adopting children of a different colour; and on the proposed new guidelines on NHS prescriptions. Plus guest, Pam Ayres. 2.40 **Cee-fax**. 3.48 **Regional news** (not London).
- 3.50 **Play School**, presented by Fred Harris. 4.10 **The Family News**. Adventures of a family who live in a lorry.
- 4.15 **Jackanory**. Christopher Biggins with part four of *Wilkes the Wizard*. 4.30 **Dogland** and the *Three Musketeers* in the Great Getaway. 4.50 **John Craven's Newsround**.
- 5.00 **World Figure Skating Championships** from Tokyo, featuring the Men's Free Programme.
- 6.00 **News** with Sue Lawley and Nicholas Witchell. Weather.
- 6.35 **London Line**.
- 7.00 **EastEnders**. The hunt for the murderers of Reg continues with the appearance of a Luftwaffe plane that Reg kept in a collection (Cee-fax).
- 7.30 **Top of the Pops** introduced by John Peel and Janice Long.
- 8.00 **Only Fools and Horses**. Uncle Albert reveals hidden depths to his two nephews (Cee-fax).
- 8.30 **A Question of Sport**. Bill Beaumont and Emyl Hughes are joined by Martin Cross, Bill Crockett, Steve Cramm and Mark Ellis (Cee-fax).
- 9.00 **News** with Julia Somerville. Weather.
- 9.25 **Miss Marple: A Pocketful of Rye**. John Hickson stars as the elderly sleuth who is called upon to help solve the mystery of the murder of businessman Rex Fortescue, poisoned in his office. The second and final part, tomorrow night (Cee-fax).
- 10.00 **Question Time**. In the absence of Sir Robin Day, Donald MacCormick is the chairman and his panel consists of Anne James and MPs Tony Benn, Kenneth Clark and David Steel.
- 11.20 **World Figure Skating Championships**. Highlights of the crucial free programme in the Men's Championship plus a preview of tomorrow's free dance routines.
- 12.00 **Weather**.

TV-am

- 6.15 **Good Morning Britain**, presented by Anne Diamond and Andy Craig. News with Gordon Honeycombe at 6.20, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 and 9.00; sport at 6.29 and 7.37; pop video at 7.48; Lloyd Grossman in *Sunday at 8.15*; wedding advice at 8.22; film reviews at 8.40; babytalk at 9.03. The guests are David Essex and Emyl Hughes.
- 9.25 **Thames news headlines**. 9.30 **For Schools**. *Play: A Game of Soldiers*, by John Needle. Set in the Falklands. 9.48 **Maths**: number patterns. 10.05 **Crossing the Channel** from Dover. 10.23 **Functions of the body** when feeding. 10.40 **Evolution**. 11.02 **Maths**: the number seven. 11.14 **Helping children** to understand their feelings and those of others. 11.31 **Dreams and hopes**. 11.43 **The development of computers**.
- 12.00 **Ice Skating: The World Figure Skating Championships**. Live coverage of the Men's Free Programme.
- 1.00 **News at One** and weather. 1.20 **Thames news** with Robin Houston. 1.30 **Falcon Crest**. Drama serial starring Jane Wyman, set in the wine country of California. 2.30 **Daytime**. Sarah Kennedy chairs a studio discussion on a matter of topical importance. 3.00 **Games**. More drama from the Covent Garden fashion show. 3.25 **Thames news** headlines. 3.30 **Sons and Daughters**.
- 4.00 **The Little Green Man**. Adventures of a creature from another planet. Narrated by John Perlewé. 4.15 **The Moonlight**. 4.20 **Sooty with Matthew Corbett**. 4.40 **Words, Words, Words**. Fast-moving entertainment that is also educational. 5.00 **Dangermouse**.
- 5.15 **Ice Skating: The World Figure Skating Championships**. Highlights of the Men's Free Programme and the Ladies' Short Programme.
- 5.45 **News**. 6.00 **Thames news**.
- 6.30 **Thames Sport** presented by Steve Rider and Jim Rosenthal. Highlights from last night's football cup replays; and skating from Tokyo.
- 7.00 **Street Hawk**. A feature-length episode to introduce another American crime series with a super-hero, this one armed with a turbo designed motorcycle that can fly, drive on any surface and is equipped with a laser beam. Starring Rex Smith as the low-profile hero, Jesse Mack, and Joe Regalbuto as his brainy side-kick, Norman Tuttle.
- 8.30 **Minder**. Not a Bad Lad. Dad Terry arrives home one day to find a young lad sitting on his doorstep. The young boy thinks Terry is his uncle and hands him a letter from his mother. Is he really Terry's son or is Terry, as Arthur Saunders, being conned? (r).
- 9.30 **TV Eye**. Arthur Scargill's Legacy. Those who supported Arthur Scargill and those who opposed him throughout the strike are interviewed. Did Mr Scargill lead or mislead?
- 10.00 **News** at Ten and weather.
- 10.30 **Kojak**. What begins as a routine murder investigation turns into a hunt for bank robbers who stole a million dollars and who, unbeknown to Kojak, are planning another bank raid.
- 11.30 **Looks Familiar**. Denis Norden, John McCallum, Google Withers and Kenneth Williams reminisce about the stars of the Thirties and the Forties (first shown on C4).
- 12.15 **High Thoughts** from Frank Field, MP.



Emrys James: he can be heard in Time, on Radio 4, 3.00pm

THE ETERNAL TRIANGLE (BBC 2, 9.30pm)

It is a film about a married couple, about the time of the Parkinson affair, although the timing was fortuitous. The reason it is being shown again now is not because a recent BBC 2 drama series called *The Mistress* switched the spotlight back to *The Other Woman*, but because the documentary series *Forty Minutes* has embarked on a three-week examination of marital and extra-marital relationships. Tonight, *Mistress*, next week, *wives*; the week after, *husbands*. All that I had heard about the franchise was displayed by the three present or former mistresses in Robin Wallis's film, has proved to be accurate. What I was not prepared for was the level-headed way they define their roles. One woman, having assisted in her lover's act of betrayal, shuns marriage for fear of being betrayed herself.

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The second, a painfully terminated relationship being her, now sees it that the decks are cleared right from the start by wanting to know "Are you married?" The third, without a hint of bitterness, tells of her transition from mistress of the candle-lit dinner type to mother of a child whose father tried to get her not to bring into the world.

● **JACK SQUALLER'S TIME** (Radio 4, 3.00pm), set in the Black Country, is the work of a local writer, and it shows in every line. You would need to have done a daunting amount of research into the area's troubled past, into the way local folk speak and, more important, how they think, if you were foolish enough to think you could turn out such a rough-grained play as this on the basis of information gained at

second-hand. Nick McCarthy has brought an almost obsessive intensity to bear on his story, and carries a heavy burden of broken pride and guilt into old Emrys James plays the old fellow. Because it has become a commonplace these days to laud this remarkable actor, I have seen to mention a point in the BBC TV version of *Annie of the Four Towns*, there exists the danger of taking his talent for granted. This is one inhibition I will have nothing to do with. I must insist that you do not allow yourself to miss Mr James's performance in *Jack Squaller's Time*. Its quality is only partly explained by talking about his mastery of the microphone. You do not rely on technical devices to create characters like Grandfather Harry. You have to go behind the eyes, get the heartbeat right, seek out the soul.

Peter Davale

BBC 2

- 6.30 **Open University Maths**. Trigonometric Formulas. 6.55 **Science, Rock and Magnets**. Ends at 7.20. 8.00 **Cee-fax**.
- 9.20 **Daytime on Two**. German conversation. 9.38 French conversation. 9.55 Spanish conversation. 10.12 Science: water. 10.34 The effect of a bath in the family. 11.05 Earthquakes and volcanic eruptions. 11.30 Cycle manufacturing in Wales.
- 11.55 Part two of the better tennis series. 12.30 Part two of the women's tennis series. 12.45 The first of four films about how a Northampton school coped with the arrival of micro-electronics. 1.20 Italian conversation. 1.38 Life in a Scottish Highland village: a century ago. 2.00 For the very young. 2.15 Music: harmony. 2.40 The making of a radio programme. 3.00 **Cee-fax**.
- 5.00 **Blue Peter**. Simon Groom, Janet Ellis and Michael Sundin with Constable's painting. The Lamberts of Croydon, which is to be auctioned next week at Sotheby's (Cee-fax).
- 5.25 **News** summary with subtitles.
- 5.30 **The Show Me Show** presented by John Craven and Maggie Philbin (r).
- 6.00 **Film**: *Calamity Jane* (1953) starring Doris Day and Howard Keel. Musical comedy about a tough lady who promises to deliver a famous singing star to the celebrated Deadwood City saloon but discovers that it is not such a straightforward assignment that she first thought. Directed by David Butler.
- 7.35 **Gorilla**. An award-winning documentary about caged gorillas.
- 7.50 **Ours to Keep**. The story of how the Spitalfields Historic Buildings Preservation Trust saved themselves in the department of the same hospital. The husband recovers first but when he visits his wife after he has been discharged he learns what happened (r).
- 8.30 **Out of Court**. Should former criminals be entitled to compensation if they are victims of the crime? Plus a report on the battle against video pirates.
- 9.00 **Yes Minister**. Jim Hacker is interviewed on radio by Ludovic Kennedy on the problem of reducing bureaucracy at government level and finds himself at odds with his mandarins (r).
- 9.30 **Forty Minutes: The Eternal Triangle**. Three women, all mistresses of married men, talk about the dilemma of their situation (r).
- 10.10 **Vic Damone**. The American singer in concert at the Royal Festival Hall, London. Newsnight. 11.45 **Weather**.
- 11.50 **Open University: Weekend Outlook**. 11.55 **Gambling on Science**. 12.30 **Engineering: Linkage Mechanisms**. Ends at 12.50.
- 12.45 **Closure**.

CHANNEL 4

- 2.40 **Film**: *Man Hunt* (1941) starring Walter Pidgeon, Joan Bennett and George Sanders. The first of a season of American Second World War films. Pidgeon plays a British big-game hunter who unsuccessfully tries to kill Hitler in the July of 1939. He is captured by the Gestapo, tortured but manages to escape back to England where he is pursued by German agents. Directed by Fritz Lang.
- 4.25 **Closure**.
- 5.00 **Film**: *Prelude to War* (1942). An American propaganda film which won an Oscar in 1942 for Best Documentary. It was one of seven "orientalist" films shown to every member of the United States armed forces to explain the reason for their country's involvement in the hostilities. Directed by Frank Capra. The Landers, a fictional documentary, made by Robert J. Flannery, of his journey in the Summer of 1939 across America. The Fighting 6889s is a wartime cartoon.
- 7.00 **Channel Four news**.
- 7.50 **Comment**. With his view on a matter of topical importance is Jonathan Ross. 8.00 **Friends of the Earth**. Weather.
- 8.00 **Discovery**. David Bellamy and Miranda Robertson report on the recent satellite work on the solar wind. Why do we see the aurora?
- 8.30 **Treasure Hunt**. Two teachers, John and Christine Weston-Smith send Annika Rice whisking over the seas of light in search of treasure, the whereabouts of which is contained in cryptic clues supplied by Kenneth Kendall.
- 9.30 **The Nation's Health**. Chronic. An elderly married couple, previously in good health, suffer separate accidents and find themselves in the same hospital. The husband recovers first but when he visits his wife after he has been discharged he learns what happened (r).
- 11.00 **Design Matters**. The first of a new 10-part series about the way our surroundings affect our lives. Telling Togs begins a three-part mini-series on image and identity and examines the language of clothes through which we express our personality and individual identity. Presented by Alison Lurie, an American novelist and author of *The Language of Clothes*.
- 11.30 **Billards**. The final of the Blue Billiards series. In between too seeds, Rex Williams and Mark Wildman.
- 12.20 **Hall of Mirrors**. The penultimate programme in Professor James Mackay's series on the world's religions concerns Roman Catholicism. His guest is Dr. Jack Dominian, a psychiatrist and broadcaster.
- 12.45 **Closure**.

Radio 4

- On long wave, 1.40 VHF stereo.
- 5.55 **Shipping**. 6.00 **News Briefing**. Weather. 6.10 **Farming**. 6.25 **Prayer**.
- 6.30 **Today**. 6.30, 7.30, 8.30 **News**. 6.55, 7.55 **Weather**. 7.00, 8.00 **News**. 7.25, 8.25 **Sport**. 7.45 **Thought for the Day**. 8.30 **Yesterday in Parliament**. 8.57 **Weather**. Travel.
- 9.00 **News**.
- 9.05 **Catholic Enterprise**. Marjorie Lofthouse visits Oxford to see how some enterprises graduates are earning money to support themselves (r).
- 9.30 **The Living World**. *Whatever Turns You On*... Spotlight on the world.
- 10.00 **News**. Medicine Now (r). 10.30 **News**. *What's the News*. Reader: Brian Southwood.
- 10.45 **An Act of Worship**. 11.00 **News**. *Travel: Analysis*. *Life*. *Life* is a BBC's space plan.
- 11.40 **Catholic Corners**. Marjorie Lofthouse examines some of Britain's more unusual houses. This week: *The Water Tower*. *Kantworth*.
- 12.00 **News**. You and Yours. Consumer affairs. With Patrice Caldwell. 12.27 **A Minute with Kenneth Williams**. Peter Jones. Derek Nimmo and Martin Jarvis. 12.55 **Weather**.
- 1.00 **The World at One**. News. 1.40 **The Archers**. 1.55 **Shipping**. 2.00 **News**. *Woman's Hour*. Today's edition includes an item about women football supporters. And part three of *Shadows on our Skin*.
- 3.00 **The Afternoon Play**: *Jack Squaller's Time*, by Nick McCarthy. Drama. About a young man who sometimes has to perform to achieve the freedom to live his own life in a world where he is controlled by his parents. Emrys James, Kim Latta, Mary Wilmshurst and Kim Durham. (See Choice).
- 4.00 **News**. *Enquire Within*, with Neil Russell in 1900.

Radio 3

- 8.55 **Weather**. 7.00 **News**. 7.05 **Morning Concert**: Wagner's *Die Flying Dutchman*. 8.30 **Richard D'Oyly Carte's** *Piano Concerto No. 2* (Ashkenazy/LPO); Bernstein's *Three Dances* Episodes from *On the Waterfront* (New York Philharmonic). 10.00 **News**.
- 8.05 **Morning Concert** (cont.): Beethoven's *overture Laocöna* (2) (Cleveland Orchestra under Szell); Schumann's *Cello Concerto* (Jacqueline du Pré/New Philharmonia); Barber's *Concerto for Strings* (Los Angeles Chamber Orchestra under Schwarz); 10.00 **News**.
- 9.05 **This Week's Composer**: Shostakovich - the final years. Recordings of the *Symphony No. 15*; and *Death: Immortality* (Suite on verses by Michelangelo, Op. 145). Moscow Radio SO with Vsevolod Yermolenko. 10.00 **Czech music**: Martinu's *Sinfonietta* La Jolla; and Dvorak's *The Water Sprite*, played by BBC SO under Mark Elder. 10.30 **Back and Scattered**: Virginia Black (pianist) plays Bach's *Fantasia and Fugue in A minor*, BWV 946; the *Toccata in D*, BWV 912; and *Scarlatti's* *Essercizi* (Sonatas) in F sharp, K318 and 319.
- 11.00 **BBC Welsh SO** under Norman Del Mar. With Philip Fowles (piano). Part one. Honegger's *Notturne*; and Poulenc's *Piano Concerto* (part two). 11.50 **Six Continents**: Foreign radio broadcasts, monitored by the BBC. With Angus MacLennan. Concerts part two. 11.55 **Symphony No. 2 (1910). 1.00 **Birmingham Lanchester Concert**: Weber's *Clarinet Quintet* Op. 64; and Mozart's *Clarinet Trio* in E flat, K488 (Kegelstatt Trio). 1.05 **Opera**: *Rosini's La Cenerentola*. Sung in Italian. Doris Soffel sings the role of the 1984 Schwetzingen Festival recording. The *Clarinet Quintet* (see above). 1.30 **Cast also includes**: John W. Wilson, Raymond Wolansky, Schubert's *Symphony No. 5*. Rockwell Blake. Interval reading at 3.40. Act 2 at 3.45. 14.55 **News**.**
- 5.00 **Mainly for Pleasure**: another of Michael Berkeley's selections of musical favourites. 5.15 **Beethoven's *6th* (Barn Bann (Newcastle) conducting) play *Corde's* *Movements*; Baroque's *Orion*; and Philip Sparke's *Julius and the Emperor*. 5.30 **Orion to Miranda**: a compilation by Judith Chermak of poems, letters and journals covering the last years of Shelley's life. 5.45 **Michael Pennington**, Patricia Galloway, Nigel Graham and Carole Giblin. With Oscar Schuster's *Symphony No. 8*. Interval reading at 7.55. 8.00 **Concert**: part two. *Spohr's Violin Concerto No. 8* in A minor; and *Beethoven's Piano Concerto No. 5* in E flat major. Read by Susan Engel. 8.15 **Hamilton and Beethoven** call music: Alexander Miller (cello) with Kathryn Sturrock (piano).**

Radio 2

- 4.00am **Colin Barry**. 6.00 **Ray Moore**. 8.05 **Ken Bruce**. 10.30 **Jimmy Young**. 1.05pm **Sports Desk**. David Jacobs. 1.30 **Glenn Gould**. 2.15 **Sports Desk**. 3.30 **Music at the 4.05**. 5.05 **Sports Desk**. 6.00 **Paul Heiney** (after 7.00 **Richard and Judy**). 7.00 **Good Life**. 8.02 **Sports Desk**. 8.45 **Sport and Classified Results** (MF) only. 8.50 **Wally Whymon** (hearing Gail Davies and the Burns Brothers). 9.00 **Sports Desk**. 10.00 **The Impressionists**. 10.30 **Star Sound Extra**. 11.00 **Brian Matthews** presents *Round Midnight* (stereo from *Midnight*). 11.00am **Bill Russell** presents *Nightlife*. 1.00-4.00 **Pepper Adams** and **Tony Cox**, virtuoso jazz saxophonists.

Radio 1

- 6.00am **Adrian Jones**. 7.00 **Mike Read**. 8.00 **Andy Paskett**. 9.00 **John Peel**. 10.00 **Paul McCartney**. 10.30 **Steve Wright**. 11.00 **Paul McCartney**. 11.30 **Steve Wright**. 12.00 **Paul McCartney**. 12.30 **Steve Wright**. 1.00 **Paul McCartney**. 1.30 **Steve Wright**. 2.00 **Paul McCartney**. 2.30 **Steve Wright**. 3.00 **Paul McCartney**. 3.30 **Steve Wright**. 4.00 **Paul McCartney**. 4.30 **Steve Wright**. 5.00 **Paul McCartney**. 5.30 **Steve Wright**. 6.00 **Paul McCartney**. 6.30 **Steve Wright**. 7.00 **Paul McCartney**. 7.30 **Steve Wright**. 8.00 **Paul McCartney**. 8.30 **Steve Wright**. 9.00 **Paul McCartney**. 9.30 **Steve Wright**. 10.00 **Paul McCartney**. 10.30 **Steve Wright**. 11.00 **Paul McCartney**. 11.30 **Steve Wright**. 12.00 **Paul McCartney**. 12.30 **Steve Wright**. 1.00 **Paul McCartney**. 1.30 **Steve Wright**. 2.00 **Paul McCartney**. 2.30 **Steve Wright**. 3.00 **Paul McCartney**. 3.30 **Steve Wright**. 4.00 **Paul McCartney**. 4.30 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